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A-95	FEDERAL REQUIREMENT FOR REVIEW OF PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATIONS [(REPLACED BY EXEC. ORDER NO 12.372) (1982); SEE IGR]
AB1246	BILL ESTABLISHING FOUR-COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONS AND SCAG CONVENED MEETING PROCESS SET FORTH AT PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE §130059
ABAG	ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
ADR	ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION
APCD	AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT
AQ	AIR QUALITY
AQMD	AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
AMPO	ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
ARB	AIR RESOURCES BOARD (State)
ATAC	AVIATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AVO	AVERAGE VEHICLE OCCUPANCY
AVR	AVERAGE VEHICLE RIDERSHIP
BLM	BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (Federal)
CAA	CLEAN AIR ACT (Federal)
CALCOG	CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS
CALTRANS	CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
CATIS	CALIFORNIA ADVANCED TRAVELER INFORMATION SYSTEM
CBD	CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT
CCAA	CALIFORNIA CLEAN AIR ACT (SHER BILL) STATS. 1988, CH. 1568
CEHD	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (SCAG)

CEQA	CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
CETAP	COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL TRANSPORTATION ACCEPTABILITY PROCESS (RIVERSIDE COUNTY)
CMAQ	CONGESTION MITIGATION AIR QUALITY FUNDS (ISTEA)
CMP	CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PLAN
CO	CARBON MONOXIDE
COG	COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
CSAC	CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
CTC	CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CVAG	COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
DOF	DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (State)
DOT	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
EDD	EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (State)
EEC	ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (SCAG)
EIR	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (State)
EIS	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (Federal)
EPA	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
FAA	FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
FHWA	FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
FIP	FEDERAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (Air Quality)
FRA	FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION
FTA	FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
GCCOG	GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
GIS	GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

GMAC	GOODS MOVEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SCAG)
HCD	DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (State)
HHS	DEPARMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Federal)
HOV	HIGH-OCCUPANCY VEHICLE
HUD	DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Federal)
IGR	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW (REPLACED A-95 REVIEW PURSUANT TO EXEC. ORDER #12.372 (1982) (SCAG))
ISTEA	INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT
ITI	INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
ITS	INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM
IVAG	IMPERIAL VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
LAFCO	LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
LACMTA	LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
LADOT	LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
LVMCOG	LAS VIRGENES/ MALIBU COUNCIIL OF GOVERNMENTS
LEWIS-PRESLEY	STATE STATUTE CREATING SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SCAQMD) AND SCAG AIR QUALITY RESPONSIBILITIES
MAGLEV	MAGNETIC LEVITATED (Train)
MEA	MASTER ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
MOU	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
MPO	METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
MTC	METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATAION COMMISSION (Bay Area)
NAAQS	NATIONA AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS
NAFTA	NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT
NARC	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL COUNCILS

NEPA	NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
NHS	NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM
NLC	NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES
NOP	NOTICE OF PREPARATION (Of an environmental document)
NO_x	NITROGEN OXIDES
O_x	OZONE
OCCOG	ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
OCTA	ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
OMB	OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (Federal)
OPR	OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH (State)
OWP	OVERALL WORK PROGRAM
PM-10	PARTICULATE MATTER (# Refers to)
PUC	PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (State)
RAC	REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (Inactive)
RCP&G	REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN & GUIDE
RCTC	RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RFP	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OR REASONABLE FURTHER PROGRESS (AQ)
RHNA	REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT
RME	REGIONAL MOBILITY ELEMENT (SCAG)
ROG	REACTIVE ORGANIC GASES (Air Pollutants)
RTA	RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY
RTAC	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES' COALITION
RTIP	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
RTP	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

RTPA	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY
RWQCB	REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SANBAG	SAN BERNARDINO ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS
SANDAG	SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
SCAB	SOUTH COAST AIR BASIN
SCAQMD	SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
SCHWMA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
SCRRA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY
SEDAB	SOUTHEAST DESERT AIR BASIN
SGVCOG	SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
SRTP	SHORT RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN
STIP	STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
STP	SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ISTEA)
SWRCB	STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
TCC	TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (SCAG)
TCM	TRANSPORTATION CONTROL MEASURE
TDM	TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT
TEA-21	TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT FOR THE 21 ST CENTURY
TIP	TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
VAPCD	VENTURA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT
VCTC	VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
VCOG	VENTURA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
VMT	VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED
WRCOG	WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
208	EPA WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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“Any item listed on the agenda (action or information) may be acted upon at the discretion of the committee”

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Hon. Yvonne Burke
President

- 2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the agenda, or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Council, must fill out and present a speaker’s card to the Executive Assistant prior to speaking. A speaker’s card must be turned in before the meeting is called to order. Comments will be limited to three minutes. The President may limit the total time for all comments to twenty minutes.

- 3.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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8.0 CLOSED SESSION

A closed session will be held only if necessary to report significant developments or to take required actions.

- 8.1 Ratification of Executive Committee Report
on Performance Evaluation of the Executive
Director Pursuant to Government Code §54957(b)(1)

9.0 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

- 9.1 Salary and Compensation of Executive Director

10.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Any committee member desiring to place items on a future agenda may make such request. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

11.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Regional Council is scheduled for November 2, 2006 at SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles.

REPORT

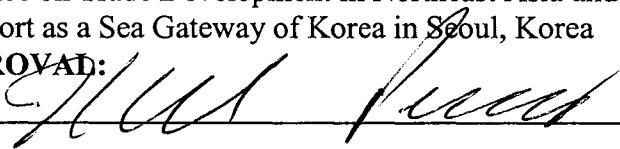
DATE: October 5th, 2006

TO: Administrative Committee and Regional Council

FROM: Hasan Ikhata, Director of Planning and Policy
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SUBJECT: International Conference on Trade Development in Northeast Asia and the Role of
Pyeongtaek/Dangjin Port as a Sea Gateway of Korea in Seoul, Korea

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve SCAG staff to attend the international conference on "Trade Development in Northeast Asia and the Role of Pyeongtaek/Dangjin Port as a Sea Gateway of Korea" in Seoul, Korea on December 8th, 2006.

BACKGROUND:

SCAG was invited by Professor Hee Seok Bang, Dean of College of Social Science and Director of Northeast Asian Logistics & Distribution Institute at Chung-Ang University, to attend the international conference on "Trade Development in Northeast Asia and the Role of Pyeongtaek/Dangjin Port as a Sea Gateway of Korea", to be held at the Korea Trade Tower (COEX) in Seoul, Korea on December 8th, 2006.

This conference is hosted by both Pyeongtaek City and the Korea Academy for International Commerce, and organized by the Northeast Asian Logistics and Distribution Institute, Chung-Ang University. The purpose of the conference is to discuss how to promote efficient international trade and logistics around the world in general and Northeast Asia in particular and to develop the port of Pyeongtaek as a gateway of the Seoul metropolitan area in Korea. The discussion will include international commerce, transportation, port logistics, and smooth cargo flow, etc.

SCAG is expected to present the paper on policy and experience of SCAG for the smooth cargo flow of the Los Angeles/Long Beach Ports at the conference and Chung-Ang University.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Pyeongtaek City and the Korea Academy for International Commerce will pay for any travel related expenses.

Dear Sirs,

We are pleased to invite you to the conference held in the COEX, Seoul, Korea, on Friday 8 December 2006. The main topic of the conference is "Trade Development in Northeast Asia and the Role of Pyeongtaek/Dangjin Port as a Sea Gateway of Korea"

The conference will be hosted by the Pyeongtaek City and the Korea Academy for International Commerce, and organized by the Northeast Asian Logistics and Distribution Institute, Chung-Ang University, Seoul, Korea. Additional support will be provided by the Korea Research Foundation and the Korea International Logistics Council.

The Conference aims to discuss how to promote efficient international trade and logistics around the world in general and Northeast Asia in particular and to develop the port of Pyeongtaek as a gateway of the metropolitan area in Korea. At the same time, it gives researchers, industrialists and politicians the opportunity to contribute to discussion regarding international commerce, transportation, port logistics and smooth cargo flow etc. By bringing together scholars, professional and politicians around the world, the conference will open-up a dialogue on the international trade and port logistics for supporting and promoting Pyeongtaek/Dangjin port in Korea in overcoming the challenges and obstacles facing international trade and port logistics.

The expenses for the overseas' speakers including air ticket, accommodation and local transportation will be covered by the hoster of the conference. The speakers are necessary to e-mail the papers until 15th of November, 2006 to ship@cau.ac.kr.

If you have any further inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact with us.

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Best wishes,

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REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2006

TO: Regional Council and Administration Committee

FROM: Danny Wu, AICP, Program Manager for Goods Movement
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SUBJECT: Southern California National Freight Gateway Strategy Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and sign the Final Southern California National Freight Gateway Strategy MOU.

SUMMARY:

On September 14, 2006, the Transportation and Communications Committee voted in support of the concept for a Southern California National Freight Gateway Strategy Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and to bring it before the Regional Council for its approval at the October 2006 meeting.

The core principles of the MOU are as follows:

- Highlight the Southern California region's critical role as the national gateway for goods movement and the associated challenges to communities throughout the region in terms of infrastructure, public health and air quality impacts;
- Ensure proactive involvement from the appropriate state and federal agencies in streamlining the environmental review/approval process; and,
- Establish a formal process through which state and federal agencies would share responsibility and work collaboratively with Southern California transportation agencies to address the region's infrastructure needs, environmental effects, and community impacts of increasing goods movement through the "Southern California National Freight Gateway," which extends from the San Pedro Bay Ports to the cities of Barstow and Indio, California.

While there will be, predictably, further minor revisions to the language in the MOU, the latest copy of the MOU is attached for your review. The MOU establishes SCAG, Metro, the Orange County Transportation Authority, Riverside County Transportation Commission, San Bernardino Associated Governments, Ventura County Transportation Commission, and the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, along with key state and federal resource and regulatory agencies as the "Principal Conveners" to cooperate in the development of a framework strategy to address the region's goods movement challenges. In addition, the MOU encourages ongoing public participation as required by law.

REPORT

The signatories to the MOU will work collaboratively to develop a Phase I Scoping Report to be submitted to the United States Secretary of Transportation and to the Governor of California by January 30, 2007. This report will include the protocols for MOU implementation – procedures for working collaboratively and expeditiously to address the goods movement infrastructure, environmental and community concerns. Furthermore, Senator Diane Feinstein's office has expressed an interest in facilitating a signing ceremony in October to execute the MOU.

BACKGROUND:

For the past several months, the Executive Director of SCAG and the Chief Executive Officers of the five County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) have been discussing the need for greater collaboration among state, federal, and local agencies responsible for goods movement. Principally, there is a growing realization that early and active involvement by key federal and state agencies in the formulation of the freight movement and environmental strategy is critical to solving the region's goods movement challenges. Much of the region's burdens associated with the movement of goods are attributable to factors outside of the region's direct control, chiefly involving federal trade policies.

In January 2006, a delegation of SCAG and SANBAG staff went to Washington, DC and was successful in generating commitments from high-level representatives of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Department of Interior, U.S. Trade Representative, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to enter into negotiations on an MOU with regional and state agencies. Since then, efforts have focused principally on obtaining similar commitments from key state agencies, including the Business, Transportation and Housing and the California Environmental Protection Agency.

To complete the facilitation and execution of the MOU, SCAG has contributed a budgeted \$10,000 and each of the five CTCs are expected to contribute \$5,000 towards the procurement of a consultant to serve as a neutral facilitator of this MOU. Lindell L. Marsh was selected as the facilitator through a competitive bid process. SCAG will manage the consultant contract and administer the collaborative process under the direction of the "Principal Conveners".

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact to SCAG with the approval of this recommendation. This MOU does not obligate nor commit State or Federal funds and will not give rise to claim for State or Federal funds. The cost for consultant services to facilitate the execution of this MOU and for staff support will be funded out of this year's OWP work element numbers WBS 06-130.scgc14 and WBS 07-130.scgs1, respectively, along with matching funds provided by the CTCs.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
NATIONAL FREIGHT GATEWAY STRATEGY**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
AMONG FEDERAL, STATE, REGIONAL AND LOCAL AGENCIES**

October __, 2006

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into as of October __, 2006 by the undersigned federal, state and local agencies to provide for the cooperative development of a framework strategy to address environmental and community concerns, issues and opportunities relating to the increasing movement of imported goods within the "Southern California National Freight Gateway" area of the Los Angeles Metropolitan region extending from the Ports in San Pedro Bay and the Port of Hueneme to the cities of Barstow and Indio, California ("National Freight Gateway Area" or "Area").

I. RECITALS.

Acronyms are defined below.¹

Whereas, the San Pedro Bay Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are the largest port complex in the Nation and fifth largest in the world. *Together, they process 14.2 million twenty foot equivalent units of containers ("TEUs"), 44% of all the imported goods entering the Nation, with only 30% of these goods being consumed within the region and 70% being distributed primarily by truck and rail nation-wide. The number of TEUs processed per year is projected to increase to 42 million TEUs by 2030. The freight being moved annually has a value of \$200 billion, supports 2 million jobs, and generates \$16.4 billion in state and local taxes.*

Whereas, the population of the National Freight Gateway Area has been projected to increase from 18.1 to 22.9 million by 2030 (an increase of 4.8 million or 25.6% within 24 years), with significant demands on the capacity of the region's transportation infrastructure, *independent of any consideration of the increasing movement of freight.*

Whereas, the port of Hueneme is the only deep water harbor between Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay area and is the U.S. Port of Entry for California's central coast region. It serves international businesses and ocean carriers from the Pacific Rim and Europe. The Port of Hueneme ranks among the top seaports in California for general cargo throughput. The niche markets that Hueneme serves include: the import and export of automobiles, fresh fruit and produce, and forest products. The Port of Hueneme is the top seaport in the United States for citrus export and ranks among the ten ports in the country for automobile and banana imports. By 2020 it is estimated that total port tonnage will range between 3.4 million and 6 million

metric tons. Its unique positioning near the Santa Barbara Channel also made the Port of Hueneme the primary support facility for the offshore oil industry in the Central Coast area.

Whereas, the regional freeway and railway systems within the Area are already severely congested, with insufficient funding identified to even maintain existing infrastructure. Combined increases in population and freight volumes will significantly worsen congestion on freeways and railways and will increase the need for major new and upgraded infrastructure and increase the costs of on-going maintenance and repair. The Southern California Association of Governments' Regional Transportation Plan anticipates that daily truck traffic serving the Ports will increase from 54,600 trips in 2005 to 142,000 in 2030 and *daily* freight and passenger train traffic will increase from 176 trains in 2000 to 265 to 390 in 2025 and 441 in 2030.

Whereas, the increase in freight movement offers significant economic opportunities to the region in the form of additional business, more and better quality of jobs, and enhanced local, State and federal tax revenues.

Whereas, without major mitigation and State and federal assistance and action, the existing levels, as well as anticipated increases, of freight movement within the Area are resulting in, and threaten further, significant and adverse impacts to its communities and the environment (including but not limited to air and water quality and natural lands and wildlife) and to the health, safety and quality of life of its population. Of particular and major concern are the adverse impacts on air quality by diesel emissions from trucks, trains and ships, and the various related infrastructure and operations, which are the subject of the various plans described below. These impacts are required to be mitigated under the regulatory and policy quilt of current and future State Implementation Plans, Regional Transportation Plans (which must be found to be in conformance with the SIP), State and Federal air quality laws (e.g., with respect to emission thresholds and air toxics) and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The design and implementation of such mitigation will be a daunting challenge.

Whereas, NEPA and CEQA, authorize and encourage coordination and collaboration among local, state and federal agencies and interests (including effective leadership and public participation) in addressing challenges such as those posed by the anticipated increase in goods movement and its impacts on the environment.

Whereas, USDOT, under its recently promulgated *National Strategy to Reduce Congestion on America's Transportation Network*, has established a Southern California "Inter-modal Hot Spot Team", focused on targeting major freight bottlenecks and expanding public outreach in order to assist in convening the constituency of agencies and interests, and, pursuant to Presidential Executive Order 13274, it is designating the Southern California National Freight Gateway a focused area of projects that qualify for coordinated federal agency decision-making.

Whereas, California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has issued an executive order, dated September __, 2006, regarding the Southern California National Gateway Strategy which directs State agencies to cooperate and, where appropriate, collaborate with federal, regional and local

agencies in addressing goods movement within the National Freight Gateway Area and related community and environmental impacts.

Whereas, CBTH and CEPA are developing a State Goods Movement Action Plan (“State GMAP”) and pursuant to the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (“SAFETEA-LU”; Pub. Law 109-59, 2005; 23 U.S.C. §327), the State has assumed certain responsibilities of the Secretary of Transportation for compliance with NEPA in connection with certain surface transportation projects within California; and, it is anticipated and intended that this MOU will be consistent with and promote the expeditious implementation of the State GMAP.

Whereas, the Ports, SCAG and the CTCs, individually and in some cases collaboratively, are in the process of conducting studies, preparing plans (including, e.g., the San Pedro Ports Clean Air Action Plan, the CTCs/SCAG Multi-County Goods Movement Action Plan, and the updating of SCAG’s Regional Transportation Plan) and undertaking projects to address goods movement and related environmental and community impacts within the National Freight Gateway Area.

Whereas, there are significant delays, inefficiencies, increases in costs and the loss of opportunities resulting from the current fragmented and complex local, state and federal governance systems, processes and practices for planning, designing, funding, implementing and constructing regional freight movement and transportation projects and the regulation thereof for other and related public concerns.

Whereas, the parties now desire through this MOU to establish a process by, among other things, providing for increased cooperation and collaboration among the constituency of affected local, state and national agencies and interests in addressing goods movement and related environmental and community impacts within the National Freight Gateway Area.

II. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NATIONAL FREIGHT GATEWAY STRATEGY

Based on the foregoing and pursuant to, among other things, the above-mentioned acts and orders, and at the request of Governor Schwarzenegger, CBTH, CEPA and Cal Resources, USDOT, USEPA, USDOJ, USACOE, SCAG, the CTCs, and the Ports, will act as “Principal Conveners” a process referred to in this MOU as the Framework Strategy in convening and managing, as set forth below, a process among affected federal, state, and local agencies and interests and the public, to collaboratively and expeditiously address goods movement and related community and environmental effects within the National Freight Gateway Area in order for Southern California to fulfill its national responsibility to provide and support the conveyance of goods to the rest of the Nation, in a manner, however, that fully addresses and mitigates all adverse community, air quality and environmental effects and impacts.

A. Scoping of the Strategy.

Among other efforts, no later than January 30, 2007, the Principal Conveners shall deliver to the Governor and United States Secretary for Transportation a Phase I Scoping Report. This Report will clearly provide: (i) a preliminary outline of the decision-making and environmental review processes necessary to expeditiously advance the region's objectives of providing goods movement throughput consistent and together with the mitigation of adverse community and environmental impacts and, (ii) the protocols and procedures, schedule and budget for their work in further assisting the constituency of affected agencies and interests to cooperate in the development and implementation of the Framework Strategy.

SCAG will administer the process under the direction of the Principal Conveners. Concurrent with the taking effect of this MOU, and from time to time thereafter, the Principal Conveners may establish informal operating procedures and rules of order, including, the establishment of a chairperson or co-chairpersons and executive committee for the effort. The Principal Conveners have committed the necessary resources through Phase I of the process. It is anticipated that the Framework Strategy will be developed incrementally and will include elements that can be implemented by individual agencies or agencies acting in collaboration and will take into consideration current and past efforts. Local and public input will be critical.

The process provided for is intended only to promote cooperation, coordination and collaboration, where appropriate, among the various affected public local, state and federal agencies in carrying out their individual responsibilities and the private sector and not to limit, increase or affect the authority of any agency under the law.

B. Participation by Public Agencies and Public and Private Organizations.

Other public and private agencies and organizations may become "Participants" in the process under this MOU, as determined appropriate by the Principal Conveners, by providing notice in writing to SCAG. In addition, public participation shall be encouraged and provided for as required by law.

C. Early cooperative efforts of Participants.

The Principal Conveners will cooperate with respect to the consideration and implementation of current goods movement infrastructure projects in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

III. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

A. Designation of Representatives.

Each Principal Convener shall designate a person to serve at its pleasure and represent it under and for the purposes of this MOU by notification in writing to SCAG for the Principal Conveners.

B. No Obligation to Provide Funding.

The commitment to participate under this MOU is subject to existing authorities and the availability of funds. This MOU does not obligate nor commit local, State or Federal funds and will not give rise to a claim for local, State or Federal funds. Any activity involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between the parties to this MOU must be independently authorized by law and will be subject to applicable laws, regulations, and procedures.

C. Non-binding.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this MOU, this MOU will take effect upon its signing (as a single original or in counter-parts) by all of the Principal Conveners and is intended to: (i) state the intent of the parties in order to provide an informal basis for coordination among them and is and shall not be legally binding on any party for any purpose; and, (ii) shall be interpreted to be consistent with applicable provisions of State and Federal law.

D. Amendments; Termination.

Any amendment to this MOU shall be effective as to a party only if agreed to in writing by that party. Any party to this MOU may terminate its participation hereunder by written notice to the SCAG for the Principal Conveners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this MOU on the dates set forth below their signatures.

PRINCIPAL CONVENERERS

[The following signature blocks should be revised and completed by the individual agencies]

FEDERAL AGENCIES

 Department of Transportation
 Dated: _____

 _____,

Assistant Administrator for Air and
 Radiation
 Environmental Protection Agency
 Dated: _____

 Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and
 Parks
 Department of the Interior
 Dated: _____

 Assistant Secretary of the Army
 for Civil Works

United States Army Corps of Engineers
Dated: _____

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Business, Transportation and Housing
Dated: _____

California Resources Agency
Dated: _____

Environmental Protection Agency
Dated: _____

REGIONAL/LOCAL AGENCIES

Southern California Association of
Governments
Dated: _____

“CTCs”

Los Angeles County Metropolitan
Transportation Authority
Dated: _____

San Bernardino Associated Governments
Dated: _____

Riverside County Transportation
Commission
Dated: _____

Orange County Transportation Authority
Dated: _____

Ventura County Transportation
Commission.

Dated: _____

SCAQMD: South Coast Air Quality Management District
SCAG: Southern California Association of Governments
USDOT: United States Department of Transportation
USEPA: United States Environmental Protection Agency
VCTC: Ventura County Transportation Commission
USACOE United State Army Corps Of Engineers

Imperial County

Dated: _____

“Ports”

Long Beach Board of Harbor
Commissioners

Dated: _____

Los Angeles Board of Harbor
Commissioners

Dated: _____

Port of Hueneme, Oxnard Harbor District

Dated: _____

1 **Acronyms:**

CARB: Calif. Air Resources Board
CBTH: Calif. Business, Transportation and Housing
Agency
CEPA: Calif. Environmental Protection Agency
CTCs: County Transportation Commissions including:
MTA, OCTA, RCTC, SANBAG. VCTC and IC
DOI: United States Department of the Interior
IC: County of Imperial
LAEDC: Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation
MTA: Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority
OCTA: Orange County Transportation Agency
Ports: Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach
RCTC: Riverside County Transportation Commission
SANBAG: San Bernardino Associated Governments

REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2006
TO: Regional Council
FROM: Daniel E. Griset, Program Manager, (213) 236-1895, griset@scag.ca.gov
SUBJECT: Workshop on Water Efficient Land Use Planning

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDATIONS:

Authorize staff to collaborate with the Local Government Commission (LGC) in hosting a workshop at SCAG offices on Water Efficient Land Use Planning and to coordinate with the Advisory Committees to be created by the Commission.

BACKGROUND:

The Local Government Commission (LGC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, membership organization that provides technical assistance and networking to local elected officials and other community leaders who are working to create healthy, walkable, and resource-efficient communities.

The LGC is in the process of establishing two Southern California advisory committees as one element in a project funded by a Proposition 50 grant and intended to support widespread local implementation of the Ahwahnee Water Principles for Resources Efficient Land Use. In 2005, SCAG's Regional Council adopted a resolution in support of these Principles. In brief, these Principles encourage cities and counties to take stewardship actions to improve the reliability and quality of water resources and reduce their potential financial liability for water contamination, stormwater runoff and flooding.

One advisory committee would focus on communities within the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Region 4) and the other on communities within the jurisdiction of the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (Region 8) and the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (Region 9). Each committee would have between 6 and 12 members. The members will be elected officials who have an interest in water efficient land use advances in their communities, along with other representatives from key water, wastewater and flood control agencies and regional planning organizations.

FISCAL IMPACT: All work related to the recommended staff action is contained within the adopted FY 06/07 budget under 07-020 (Environmental Planning). Funding and implementation of this Program will be the fiscal responsibility of the Local Government Commission and perhaps other entities.

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REPORT

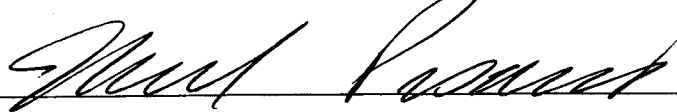
DATE: October 3, 2006

TO: Regional Council

FROM: Hon. Glen Becerra, Chair, Communication & Membership Subcommittee
Cheryl Collier, Communications Supervisor, 213 236-1942

SUBJECT: Approve Annual Update of SCAG's Communications Strategy

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Communication & Membership Subcommittee recommends approval of the annual update of SCAG's Communications Strategy.

BACKGROUND:

SCAG's Communication Strategy was developed in 2002 and since then has been updated annually under the guidance of the Communication & Membership Subcommittee. The Strategy sets forth the agency's communications goals, message, execution, target audiences, strategies and tactics. Attached for your review is a draft copy of the document. The final version will be printed in a reader-friendly booklet format.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

NOTE:

Please note that although this item was reported on at the September 14th Regional Council meeting, inadvertently, action was not taken.

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Southern California Association of Governments

Communications Strategy 2006 – 2007

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COMMUNICATIONS GOALS

MESSAGE

- Establish and effectively communicate the importance of regional cooperation and planning and of employing regional solutions to Southern California's many policy challenges.
- Establish SCAG's responsibility and leadership in resolving regional challenges. Foster a uniform message of SCAG regional cooperation, consensus building, and problem solving.
- Reinforce SCAG's brand and image, and strategically position and brand specific SCAG initiatives and projects when such actions will enhance their understandability and recognition.
- Establish clarity and consistency in the delivery of policy and program issue messages.

COMMUNICATIONS GOALS

EXECUTION

- Improve communications with the Regional Council, Policy Committees, member local governments, subregions and other key stakeholder audiences.
- Enable members to effectively communicate the program and policy messages of SCAG to their elected colleagues and constituents by providing them with adequate information and training.
- Assure that multifaceted communications efforts are totally integrated, cost-effective, and consistent.
- Enhance SCAG's profile with the news media and others who influence and shape policies that affect the Southern California region.
- Increase the visibility of SCAG's policy experts, resources, services, and initiatives.
- Satisfy the public outreach and participation requirements of major SCAG planning efforts, including *Destination 2030* (the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan) and *Compass Blueprint*.
- Improve SCAG Web Site interface to encourage public education and feedback.

TARGET AUDIENCES

Members/Partners

Regional Council and Policy Committee members, Boards of Supervisors, City Councils, County Transportation Commissions, Tribal Governments, City Managers, County Administrators, Subregional Coordinators, Task Force members, state and regional agencies including Caltrans, FHWA and FTA, and other elected officials and staff from member jurisdictions and planning partners

Stakeholder Organizations

Environmental, academic and business groups

General Public

Local residents throughout the SCAG region

Community/Environmental Justice Audiences

Civic, community, minority, ethnic, labor, faith-based, environmental justice and others

Legislators

State Legislators, Members of Congress and key staff

Trade Associations/Affiliate Organizations

League of California Cities, CSAC, NARC, CALCOG

News Media

National and regional media outlets, including Washington, D.C and Sacramento bureaus and local ethnic press

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH MEMBERS

Provide members with comprehensive information and training about SCAG's regional issues, priorities and goals so that they are better equipped to communicate the value of SCAG and its programs and planning efforts to other audiences.

■ Conduct New Member Briefings/Orientations

Materials used to orient new members of the Regional Council include:

- "Your Guide to SCAG"	Published June
- SCAG Member Handbook	as needed
- SCAG Member Benefits Brochure	as needed
- Business Card CD	May
- Legislative Reference Guide	January
- SCAG Regional Pocket Guide	May
- Key Message Flash Cards	September
- Policy Fact Sheets	quarterly
- CD of major policy/initiative presentations	as needed

■ Subregional Policy & Issue Briefings

Program and schedule regular informational briefings in every subregion and solicit member views and opinions.

■ Provide Leadership Training

Conduct comprehensive leadership training for local elected officials with a focus on regional perspectives.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH MEMBERS

■ Utilize e-mail to distribute timely information:

- "eVision" electronic newsletter
- Meeting agendas
- "Save-the-Date" notices
- Summaries of major actions taken by SCAG's Regional Council and Policy Committees
- Distribute information from affiliate organizations

Regularly update and expand distribution lists.

■ Distribute regional policy Fact Sheets

Provide regularly updated fact sheets and brochures on SCAG's responsibilities and achievements, program initiatives, and policy positions, including:

- Overview of SCAG
- Regional Transportation Plan
- Transportation Finance
- Aviation Planning
- Goods Movement
- COMPASS Blueprint
- Housing Planning
- California Maglev
- Environmental Justice
- RTP Environmental Impact Report
- Regional Comprehensive Plan

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH MEMBERS

■ Provide access to “Members Only” section of SCAG’s Web Site

Provide “Value-Added” services and resources to SCAG members, accessible with a designated password.

■ Make presentations available

Provide visually rich, annotated, easy-to-deliver PowerPoint presentations on regional issues, priorities and goals, as well as SCAG’s responsibilities and achievements:

- Overview of SCAG
- State of the Region
- *Destination 2030*, the 2004 RTP
- COMPASS Blueprint
- Goods Movement
- Transportation Finance
- Southwest Mega-Region

When possible, incorporate customized information to increase relevancy to individual regions and audiences.

■ Make speakers available

Identify speakers able and trained to make presentations on various topics. Invite Regional Council members to augment outreach efforts.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH MEMBER JURISDICTIONS & STAKEHOLDERS

Aggressively pursue presentation opportunities in each subregion. Develop materials in addition to those previously identified to assist in communicating with political, business, community and other stakeholder audiences, including:

Communications Materials

■ Information Services Brochure

A brochure detailing SCAG's various data, GIS mapping, forecasting, and other information services available from SCAG.

■ Transportation Financing Brochure

A brochure identifying the sources and channels for transportation financing in the SCAG region. A major section will be devoted to innovative public/private financing strategies.

Displays

Continue to improve the form and function of SCAG display materials for conferences, forums, workshops and other public events. Ensure they serve as cost-effective outreach vehicles providing concise and understandable messages about SCAG's mission, goals and initiatives.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH MEMBER JURISDICTIONS & STAKEHOLDERS

Conferences/Workshops

Increase stakeholder participation by following the guidelines and timelines presented in the "SCAG Event and Conference Planner" and:

- developing strong program content and concomitant participation.
- thematically and graphically presenting the event to attract stakeholder interest.
- utilizing regional venues and reaching out to local elected officials for support.
- conducting pre-event publicity, on-site media relations, and post-event media outreach.

Special Events

Events planned during the current fiscal year include:

- Southwest Compact Hearing – Fall & Spring
- State of the Region Press Conf. – December, 2006
- SCAG Regional Economic Forecast Conference – January 2007
- COMPASS Blueprint Conference – March 2007
- SCAG Regional Housing Summit – April 2007
- SCAG General Assembly – May 2007
- SCAG Regional Council Retreat – June 2007

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC

■ Participation & Interagency Consultation

Update and implement SCAG's Participation & Interagency Consultation Plan. Require a minimum public comment period of 45 days before the plan is adopted.

■ Public Comments

Invite the public to address the Regional Council and Policy Committees at the beginning of every monthly meeting as well as any open, public meeting.

■ Citizen Review and Feedback

Continue to circulate the Overall Work Program, Regional Transportation Plan, Regional Transportation Improvement Program and other regional initiatives for extensive public review and feedback.

■ On-Line Public Access

Continually update SCAG's web site to accurately represent all planning initiatives, meeting schedules and events.

■ Regional Representation

Modify SCAG's policy-making structure and process as warranted to accurately reflect and accommodate Southern California's changing landscape and diversity.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH COMMUNITY/ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AUDIENCES

■ Meetings and Presentations

Schedule a minimum of 100 presentations each year delivered by members and staff leadership to business groups, civic organizations, organizations that represent minorities, labor organizations, faith-based organizations, environmental groups, academic groups and local government agencies.

■ Public Participation

Provide both paper and web-based public feedback forms. Create and monitor an effective Internet interface to encourage public education and feedback on planning efforts. Review and update contact databases.

■ Scheduling and Documentation

Create a main log of outreach activities to document efforts and ensure the broadest level of outreach without overlapping efforts. Expand the current EJ database with the help of EJ Advisory Groups.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH LEGISLATORS

■ Regular Briefing Sessions

Schedule regular briefing sessions with regional members of Congress and the Legislature to increase understanding of the agency's mission and goals with lawmakers and their staffs. Priority will be given to members in leadership positions or who sit on key policy committees of importance to the agency. Both geography and legislative strategy will be considered.

■ Member Trips to Washington, D.C. and Sacramento

Schedule member trips to Washington, D.C. and Sacramento during legislative sessions.

■ Coalitions and non-member "Key Contacts"

Create a coalitions and non-member "Key Contacts" to communicate SCAG initiatives and positions to lawmakers.

■ Legislative Roundtable

Participate in the monthly Southern California Legislative Roundtable meetings.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH THE NEWS MEDIA

■ News Releases/Advisories/Media Tip Sheets/ News Conferences

Work with the Communications & Membership Subcommittee and individual Regional Council members to identify the specific issues, initiatives and activities that should receive the attention of the news media. Use telephone, e-mail and faxed messages to increase and enhance positive coverage by the news media of SCAG events and meetings.

Additionally, target weekly papers with op-ed articles on various SCAG initiatives.

■ Editorial Board Meetings

Schedule, at a minimum, six separate editorial board meetings with key print and broadcast organizations that cover the SCAG region. Prepare "talking points" for each meeting and arrange for the participation of Regional Council members residing in the media market.

■ Letters to the Editor

Compose and customize letters to be sent out by Regional Council members.

■ Trained Spokespersons

Identify and provide training to a minimum of 10 Regional Council members to serve as effective agency spokespersons.

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

WITH THE NEWS MEDIA

■ Member Communications with News Media

Provide members with current "sound-bite" commentary on topical news items via e-mail. Simultaneously, the "sound-bites" will be formatted, packaged and distributed via e-mail to the press. When posed with questions, members will be prepared to respond with the 2-3 sentence "sound-bites," and be recognized as knowledgeable and responsive spokespersons on the issues affecting Southern California.

■ Member On-Air Interviews and Talk Show Opportunities

Pursue and schedule, at a minimum, ten radio and/or television interviews for Regional Council members on various public affairs shows broadcast throughout the Southern California region. Programs to be targeted include:

- Life and Times (KCET-TV)
- Week in Review (Adelphia)
- Eye on LA (KABC-TV)
- Midday Sunday (KTTV-FOX11)
- Pacesetters (KTLA-TV)
- Which Way LA (KCRW-FM)
- Airtalk (KPCC-FM)
- The Michael Jackson Show (KRLA-AM)
- Community Bulletin (KWRM-AM)
- Community Forum (KUOR-FM)
- Community Spotlight (KGGL-FM)
- City Scope (KOST-FM)
- LA Speaks Out (KJLH-FM)

STRATEGIES & TACTICS

CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS

■ Formal Program

Develop and maintain a crisis communications program that includes and continuously updates:

- Identification of potential crisis communications situations
- Statements for external and internal use
- Spokespersons and processes for transmitting messages
- Training of key staff and Regional Council Members in crisis communications techniques

MEMO

DATE: October 5, 2006

TO: Administration Committee
Regional Council

FROM: Wayne Moore, CFO (213) 236-1804
Email: moore@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: Contracts and Purchase Orders between \$5,000 - \$250,000 and
MOU's between \$5,000 - \$250,000

SUMMARY:

SCAG executed the following Contract(s) between \$5,000 and \$250,000

- Consilium Associates \$ 49,781
Assessment of Tribal Issues for RTP
- Digital Mapping, Inc. \$ 49,200
Land Use Imagery for Imperial County
- Fehr & Peers \$ 35,000
Support for Goods Movement MOU
- Fox and Sohagi LLP \$150,000
Legal Counsel for Environmental matters
- Liebert Cassidy Whitmore \$ 75,000
Legal Counsel for Human Resources matters
- Lindell L. Marsh \$ 35,000
Support for Goods Movement MOU
- Solimar Research Group \$ 99,669
South Bay Mixed Use Centers Study
- UCSB Economic Forecasting Project \$ 87,225
Wage dynamics data analysis

SCAG executed the following Purchase Order(s) between \$5,000 and \$250,000

- Frame Club \$ 12,704.22
Various frames for awards, presentations, etc.
- PhotoCenter Imaging \$ 7,351.53
Hallway Photos including City Member, Accomplishments, and President's
- Speech Com \$ 16,764.18
Speech training in the English language

SCAG executed the following MOU(s) between \$5,000 and \$250,000

- None

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: Consilium Associates

Scope: The Consultant will support the development of the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) by coordinating and garnering tribal input on key RTP issues and at critical RTP milestones. The Consultant will identify key contacts at each federally-recognized tribal government within the SCAG region and at appropriate representative tribal organizations; assess past, current, and future tribal transportation planning priorities and issues; evaluate how such concerns may be addressed by the RTP; identify areas that may require further coordination; and meet with tribal governments in advance of key RTP milestones to ensure that the tribes are informed and have the opportunity to provide input.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$49,781
	Consilium Associates (prime)	\$33,241
	Village Earth (subcontractor)	\$16,540

Contract Period: 12 months from start of contract

Work Element: 07-010.SCGC2 – \$49,781 Funding source: Consolidated
Planning Grant – FHWA & TDA

Request for Proposal: SCAG e-mailed a bid alert notice for RFP 07-029 to 542 consultants and posted notice on SCAG's bid management system. The following three proposals were received in response to the solicitation:

Consilium Associates (1 subcontractor)	\$49,781
Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (1 subcontractor)	\$49,312
Iteris, Inc., dba Meyer, Mohaddes (0 subcontractors)	\$49,650

Selection Process: The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated all three proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP, and the selection process was conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable Federal and State contracting regulations. Interviews were held with all three offerors.

The PRC comprised the following individuals:

Jo Sanford, Senior Transportation Planner, Caltrans District 8
Philip Law, Senior Regional Planner Specialist, SCAG
Arnold San Miguel, Senior Government Affairs Analyst, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommends Consilium Associates for the contract award because of their comprehensive and distinctive responses to the interview questions, and because they demonstrated a unique insight and strategy for working with tribal governments. Additionally, Consilium Associates presented a balanced strategy that effectively addressed the technical, political, and outreach issues associated with this project. Consilium Associates presented an innovative approach to working with the tribal governments through a participatory planning strategy that seeks to enable the tribal participants to continue their efforts beyond the conclusion of this project. Consilium Associates received the highest evaluation score of the three consultants.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: Digital Mapping, Inc.

Scope: The region covered by the Southern California Association of Governments, known as the SCAG Region, includes the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura and Imperial. As part of SCAG's efforts to become the central source of information for the Southern California region we are seeking a consultant that can provide aerial imagery for the County of Imperial.

This project is for the acquisition and delivery of digital color imagery for the County of Imperial. The imagery produced will be used by SCAG in the development of an existing land use database. The aerial imagery will also be used for other planning related activities by SCAG and other stakeholders. SCAG intends to disseminate a copy of the database to other interested public agencies within the region.

The Consultant will fly the entire county of Imperial and produce a set of aerial photography at a 1-foot resolution for the urban portion of the county and at 2-foot resolution for the remaining area.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$49,200
	Digital Mapping, Inc. (prime)	\$49,200

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through June 30, 2007

Work Element:	07-040.SCGC6	\$49,200	Funding Sources: Consolidated Planning Grant – FTA & FHWA
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Request for Proposal: SCAG staff notified 214 firms of the release of RFP No. 07-031. In addition, the RFP was posted on the Urban Transportation Monitor, and American Planning Association websites. The RFP was also advertised on SCAG's bid management system. The following two proposals were received in response to the solicitation:

Digital Mapping, Inc. (no subcontractors)	\$49,200
Mapcon Mapping, Inc. (2 subcontractors)	\$68,221

Selection Process: The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated both proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP, and the selection process was conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable Federal and State contracting regulations. Interviews were held with the two offerors.

The PRC was comprised of the following individuals:

Pablo Gutierrez, Sr. Regional Planner, SCAG
Pat Landrum, GIS Manager, Caltrans District 11
Javier Minjares, Sr. Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC committee recommends Digital Mapping, Inc. for the contract award because of the firm's unique qualifications to fulfill the requirements of the project. Digital Mapping, Inc. has an extensive background in aerial photography and has the in-house resources to deliver the product on time and within budget. Because of their ownership of aircraft and their being located in the SCAG region they will be able to quickly start on the project and complete the work required within 45 working days.

Digital Mapping, Inc. solution provides the power of state of the art digital camera, corporate ownership of aircraft and a complete understanding of the needs of the agency. They will dedicate one of their airplanes solely to this project ensuring project delivery on time. They also have 2 daily shifts thus providing for faster turnaround times.

Digital Mapping, Inc. has the experience of acquiring imagery for large projects in a short time period. They have completed digital imagery acquisition for the entire County of Orange and Imperial. They regularly work with officials of various organizations from whom they would need to acquire clearances to photography areas like military bases and aviation fields.

Digital Mapping, Inc. has 18 years of experience in the field of aerial imagery. They also have a complete understanding of aerial triangulation and ortho-rectification thus ensuring the SCAG receives a high quality product. They are very well qualified to meet the needs outlined in this project.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant:

Fehr & Peers

Scope:

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the six-county region. As the designated MPO, SCAG has the responsibility to develop a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

In developing the RTP, SCAG has been using a travel demand model to evaluate alternative transportation/land use policies and investment strategies. Transportation and land use interact with each other. Transportation investment will impact the relative attractiveness of some areas versus the others and hence result in corresponding changes through subsequent land development. However, SCAG's travel demand model has been running with a set of *given* land use scenarios represented by the socioeconomic data for each traffic analysis zone (TAZ). The current travel demand model is sensitive to land use but the land use scenarios do not reflect the effects of transportation accessibility.

Since 2000, SCAG has been undertaking a Growth Visioning process which resulted in the adoption of a Compass Growth Vision and Implementation Framework. To implement the Growth Vision, the Compass 2% Strategy promotes a concentration of new and infill development along existing and planned transit corridors, and existing and new urban centers to optimally accommodate growth in the region. The Strategy is intended to support regional goals for mobility, livability, prosperity and sustainability. An important part of the 2% Strategy is to leverage the positive feedbacks between transportation and land use to foster a more efficient development pattern. The implementation of the 2% Strategy will be greatly facilitated through analytical tools incorporating interactions between transportation and land use.

There is a need for enhanced decision support tools for plan development and policy assessment. Specifically, there is a need to incorporate interactions and feedbacks between transportation and land use through the development of an integrated land use transportation model. The integrated land use transportation model, building on the foundation in behavior theory, should be capable of evaluating a wide range of land use and transportation policies and their interactions.

This project, building on the previous efforts by SCAG, Caltrans and others, is intended to conduct an assessment and recommend strategies to develop a land use model as a component of an integrated land use transportation model. The strategy will identify

the modeling approach, incremental development options, data needs, staffing needs, schedule, costs and a phasing plan.

Specifically, this project will:

- perform a targeted assessment of land use model development options with respect to the needs of SCAG
- recommend a development strategy including associated land use and transportation models
- identify the data required to develop, calibrate, validate and maintain the model
- draft the detailed scope of work for model development in the short-term (three to five years)

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$50,196
	Fehr & Peers (prime)	\$36,011
	Richard Kuzmarak (subcontractor)	\$ 5,625
	Expert Panel (subcontractors to be determined)	\$ 5,760
	Reid Ewing (subcontractor)	\$ 2,800

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through February 28, 2007

Work Element: 06-070.SCGC11.2 \$50,196 Funding Sources: FHWA
Planning & TDA

Request for Proposal: SCAG staff notified 640 pre-qualified firms of the release of RFP No. 07-005. The RFP was also advertised on The Urban Transportation Monitor's website (lawleypublications.com), American Planning Association's website, and SCAG's website. The following three proposals were received in response to the solicitation:

Fehr & Peers (3 subcontractors)	\$50,196
Konstadinos Goulias (no subcontractors)	\$50,000
LSA Associates, Inc. (no subcontractors)	\$50,226

Selection Process: The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated all three proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP, and the selection process was conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable Federal and State contracting regulations. Interviews were held with all three offerors.

The PRC was comprised of the following individuals:

Mike Ainsworth, Lead Modeling Analyst, SCAG
Tony Van Haagen, Research Program Specialist, Caltrans District 7
Wesley Hong, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG
Huasha Liu, Data & Monitoring Manager, SCAG
Rongsheng Luo, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommends Fehr & Peers for the contract award because of the firm's unique qualifications to fulfill the requirements of the project.

First, the study approach proposed by Fehr & Peers is creative and clearly outlined. Their approach consists of two phases: the evaluation of potential candidate models and selection of the preferred option and the development of a strategy for implementing the integrated model. The first phase will consist of eleven steps, including creating lists of candidates and reviewing them by Delphi Panel, identifying SCAG's needs to use this new technical tool to address current and future regional planning and policy issues, and confirmation of selection. There are four steps in the second phase, including examining travel demand model structure, identifying data requirements, preparing budget and schedule, and finalizing report.

Second, Fehr & Peers is fully aware of the complexity and challenges of selecting and implementing the most effective system of integrated land use and transportation models, especially for SCAG region. As such, Fehr & Peers identified several key issues to address and they specifically emphasized the importance of functionality, accuracy, and defensibility of the model. For example, a complete land use and transportation model of the entire SCAG region may require days or weeks to run, even with distributive processing. Fehr & Peers may therefore consider an implementation of a segmented model with several sub-models, each of which covers a geographic sub-region for computational purposes, which are then combined to produce regional forecasts. Other challenges include user interface design, time constraints and staff development etc. All these considerations will be carefully incorporated into their assessment process.

Finally, Fehr & Peers is experienced with similar projects and familiar with regional and local planning issues. For example, Fehr & Peers has participated in several integrated land use and transportation demand model for the Sacramento Council of Governments (SACOG) and the San Luis Obispo County Council of Governments (SLCOG) as part of their recent blueprint processes, and for Fresno COG in Caltrans' San Joaquin Valley Growth Response demonstration project. Fehr & Peers also has extensive experience working with TransCAD, the travel demand model platform used by SCAG.

In summary, Fehr & Peers team demonstrated ability to translate their depth of experience and knowledge into sound technical approaches in the integrated land use and transportation model assessment. They are uniquely qualified to fulfill the overall objective of this study.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: Fox & Sohagi

Scope: This law firm was originally retained in fiscal year 2004-2005 by the Chief Counsel to provide advice with regard to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) issues as they relate to Goods Movement. The firm will continue to provide advice on those matters. Additionally, the firms will provide advice with regard to CEQA Streamlining and environmental work as it relates to Goods Movement. The law firm, primarily through the participation of Margaret Sohagi, a well known expert in CEQA, and with limited assistance of Helene Smookler, will provide the legal services as required.

Contract:	Total not to exceed	\$150,000
	Fox and Sohagi	\$150,000

Contract Period: July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2009

Work Element:	07-880.SCGS9	\$50,000	Funding Sources: General Fund and Indirect
	08-XXX.XXXX	\$50,000	Funding Sources: General Fund and Indirect
	09-XXX.XXXX	\$50,000	Funding Sources: General Fund and Indirect

Request for Proposal: Legal Services are unique and do not require a request for proposal

Basis for Selection: The firm was selected by the Chief Counsel and Executive Director based upon the unique and specialized experience of the firm in CEQA and NEPA matters. The firm's primary practice relates to representation of public agencies and has a substantial CEQA practice. The Chief Counsel also consulted with the General Counsel, prior to entering into the original contract with this firm.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: Liebert Cassidy Whitmore

Scope: This law firm was retained by the Chief Counsel to provide advice with regard to human resource matters. The law firm, primarily through the participation of Linda Jensen, a partner in the firm, provides legal advice and services on an as needed basis. The firm which specializes in the representation of public agencies has assisted SCAG in the past on such matters as the preparation of the Personnel Rules; analysis with regard to Fair Labor Standards issues and provides specialized training as well.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$75,000
	Liebert Cassidy Whitmore	\$75,000

Contract Period: Execution of Agreement through June 30, 2009

Work Element:	07-880.SCGS9	\$25,000	Funding Source: Indirect.
	08-XXX.XXXX	\$25,000	Funding Source: Indirect
	09-XXX.XXXX	\$25,000	Funding Source: Indirect

Request for Proposal: Legal Services are unique and do not require a request for proposal

Basis for Selection: The firm was selected by the Chief Counsel and Executive Director based upon the unique and specialized experience of the firm in representation of public agencies on human resources issues. The Chief Counsel also consulted with the General Counsel, prior to entering into the original contract with this firm.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant:

Lindell L. Marsh, Attorney at Law

Scope:

Objective: Establish a process through which state and federal agencies would share responsibility and work collaboratively with the Southern California transportation agencies to address the infrastructure needs, environmental effects, and community impacts of increasing goods movement through Southern California.

Background: Early and active involvement by federal and state agencies in formulation of the freight movement and environmental improvement strategy is entirely consistent with the directive of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Section 101, and is appropriate because Southern California's freight challenge is substantially an outgrowth of federal and state policies on transportation and international trade. Efforts by the regional transportation agencies over the past year are designed to formalize shared responsibility for development and implementation of the freight movement and environmental improvement strategy among federal, state, and regional agencies. In particular, these efforts are intended to change the federal and state agencies' role from review of and reaction to a final product, to collaboration in, and shared responsibility for, development and implementation of the strategy. Benefits are expected to include more timely development, approval, and delivery of infrastructure projects, and increased acceptance of federal and state responsibility to address air quality challenges, many of which that fall principally within the regulatory purview of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Work to Date: The potential for high-level federal collaboration to address Southern California's freight movement challenge emerged from a two-day, May 2005 conference on the National Environmental Policy Act at the University of California at Irvine (UCI), supported by SCAG and SANBAG. There, present and past Counsels to the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) received a presentation on the impacts of U.S. international trade policy on the Southern California infrastructure and environment. Dinah Bear, General Counsel to CEQ in the Bush I, Clinton, and Bush II administrations, then invited and arranged for SCAG and SANBAG staff, along with attorney Lindell Marsh, co-convener of the UCI NEPA conference and member of the Board of Directors of the Washington DC-based Growth Management Institute, to present this information to ranking representatives of other federal agencies and to initiate discussions leading toward formalization of a collaborative working relationship.

A second trip in January 2006 generated commitments from the Undersecretary or Director levels of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), Department of the Interior, U.S. Trade Representative, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to enter into negotiations on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with regional and state agencies for these purposes. Since then, efforts have focused principally on obtaining similar commitments from the key state agencies: Business, Transportation and Housing (BTH) and the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA). Discussions with Barry Sedlik, Undersecretary of BTH, and Cindy Tuck, Assistant Secretary of CalEPA, have been cordial and generally encouraging, but have not yet generated commitments comparable to those from the federal agencies (and which are critical to effective federal agency participation). Work since the initial trip to Washington DC at the invitation of CEQ has been supported by contributions from MTA, OCTA, RCTC, and SANBAG. In addition to arrangements for and facilitation of numerous meetings with federal officials through personal contacts in CEQ, products include a draft MOU, documentation of proceedings, preparation of reports and white papers, and participation in numerous meetings with representatives of various governmental, non-government, and environmental advocacy groups. Most recently, these have included discussions convened by staff to Senator Feinstein, in which conceptual agreement has been reached among Federal, State, and Regional officials to proceed with negotiation and execution of this Agreement

It is worth noting that U.S. Transportation Secretary Norm Mineta's recent appointment of additional staff to his Southern California Gateway Office is a result of the MOU-related discussions with senior DOT staff in January 2006.

Scope of Work:

Lindell L. Marsh's scope of work would be to continue to assist the County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) and SCAG to consummate the MOU with the key local, state and federal agencies and to develop a draft set of protocols as to how the MOU will be implemented. This work will entail assisting SCAG and the CTCs in: 1.) further discussions and meetings with the proposed signatory agencies and others (in some cases, travel to Sacramento, Washington, DC, and San Francisco); 2.) the negotiation and drafting of revisions to the MOU and related documents as needed; and 3.) drafting of a preliminary set of protocols in consultation with the proposed signatories.

The intended result of this work will be the consummation of the MOU and initiation of a process that, among other things, increases

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$35,000
	Lindell L. Marsh (prime)	\$35,000

Work Element:	06-130.SCGC10.2	\$10,000	Funding Sources: FTA, TDA, and Local Match
	07-730.SCGC1	\$25,000	

Lindell L. Marsh (0 subcontractors)	\$35,000
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The PRC was comprised of the following individuals:

Basis for Selection: The PRC recommends Lindell L. Marsh for the contract award because of his unique qualifications to fulfill the requirements of the project. Lindell Marsh is willing and able to meet the highly demanding requirements of this project within a very limited budget. He is committed to performing and documenting the required facilitation and execution of the MOU and development of protocols by June 30, 2007. He will be able to do this since he is uniquely familiar with the issues and Principal Conveners. Lindell Marsh was also the originator of the MOU approach and had laid the groundwork for improved collaboration.

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techniques to facilitating the various stakeholder interests.

Lindell Marsh has a strong understanding of the laws, regulations, and institutions comprising our fragmented system of governance (e.g., as reflected in NEPA, CEQA, Environmental Laws and Regulations, FACA, various Executive Orders, etc.). He has an understanding of the practices and working relationships with the public agencies. He has a working knowledge of the underlying substantive concerns (e.g., concerns that are related to economics and projects, the environment and communities). Furthermore, Lindell Marsh has a sense of the practice of group innovation (how to assist the group of fragmented organizations and interests involved to collaboratively innovate).

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: Solimar Research Group

Scope: The South Bay Mixed Use Centers Study is intended to find appropriate solutions to meeting the challenges of implementing the Compass Blueprint 2% Strategy in the South Bay Cities subregion. The study will conduct research that will help the sub-region identify places that could absorb high-density housing without generating traffic congestion. In the first two phases of the study, the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) studied four existing mixed use centers and two mixed use corridors in order to assess their transportation performance, ways in which that performance could be improved, and lessons for adding housing to existing commercial centers and corridors under SCAG's 2% Strategy.

In this third year of research on centers and corridors, comparable data will be collected on two additional corridors, making a total of four centers and four corridors that will have been studied. However, the main focus of the 2006-07 program will be to develop meaning from the data in order to produce the findings and lessons that can be used to guide policy for implementing the 2% Strategy in the subregion and throughout the SCAG region. All of the methodologies used in 04-05 and 05-06 will be available for use in this 06-07 study, including the survey instrument.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$99,669
	Solimar Research Group (prime)	\$64,656
	Marlon Boarnet, PhD, UC Irvine (subcontractor)	\$14,000
	Wiltec (subcontractor)	\$10,000
	Mai Nguyen, PhD, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (sub-contractor)	\$ 6,000
	Weaver Research & Consulting (subcontractor)	\$ 4,000
	Agnew Tech II (subcontractor)	\$ 1,013

Contract Period: October 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007

Work Element: 07-065.SBCC1 \$99,669 Funding Sources: FTA 5303 Funds

Request for Proposal: SCAG staff notified 155 pre-qualified firms on SCAG's bidders list to notify them of the release of RFP No. 07-030. The RFP was also advertised on Lawley Publications' website, the Planning Magazine's website, and posted on SCAG's website. The following proposal was received in response to the solicitation:

Solimar Research Group (5 subcontractors)	\$99,669
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Selection Process:

The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated the proposal in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP, and the selection process was conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable Federal and State contracting regulations. Although only one proposal was received the competition was considered adequate due to the RFP's wide distribution.

The PRC was comprised of the following individuals:

Jacki Bacharach, Executive Director, SBCCOG
Kim Fuentes, Deputy Executive Director, SBCCOG
Walter Siembab, Principal, Siembab Planning Associates
Melanie Bradford, Associate Transportation Planner, Caltrans
Kelley Thom, Associate Planner, City of Rolling Hills Estates
Rebecca Cutting, Planning Associate, City of Torrance
Pria Hidisyan, Associate Regional Planner, SCAG

Basis for Selection:

The PRC recommends Solimar Research Group (Solimar) for the contract award because of the firm's strong qualifications to fulfill the requirements of the project. The Solimar team is extensive and experienced, with strong academic, professional, and publishing backgrounds. The team understands the complex relationship between land use and transportation planning. It has several years of experience working with the South Bay and other Subregions on Compass Blueprint related issues, particularly related to subregional infill and mixed-use development strategies. A unique aspect of the Solimar team's approach is the attention to user-focused survey techniques, which add relevant data related to patterns in the South Bay. Solimar also expressed a clear plan for working closely with SBCCOG and its working group to provide pertinent updates and share its analytical approach in conducting the work.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: UCSB Economic Forecasting Project

Scope: Within the area of the economy, an important finding from the State of the Region is the declining competitiveness of per capita income along with the declining competitiveness of average payroll per job. For example, when comparing the per capita income among the 17 large metropolitan regions in the nation, SCAG region dropped from the 4th place in 1970, to the 5th place in 1980, the 7th place in 1990 and the 17th place in 2000. Average payroll per job also experienced a downward trend, though less severe as per capita income, when comparing with other large metropolitan regions.

The overall income level is affected most significantly by the dynamics of change of both the quantities and qualities (e.g. wage level) of jobs available in the region. Understanding the wage and job trends and dynamics is hence critical of providing policy recommendations to improve the region's income competitiveness. In addition, wage inequality is a contributing factor to income inequality. Understanding the factors affecting wage dynamics provides a basis to address income inequality.

This project is aimed at providing a better understanding of the wage and job trends in the region and factors affecting the relevant dynamics. It is intended to contribute to the monitoring and assessment of the region's wage and job performance.

Specifically, the Consultant will collect data and information to establish the wage and job trends by sector/occupation at the county and regional level between 1970 and 2005. This would include conducting literature review regarding wage and job trends and dynamics in Southern California. The consultant will also conduct interviews of industry representatives regarding the factors affecting wage and job trends in Southern California. Analysis will then be performed regarding the factors affecting wage and job trends in Southern California and identify policy implications of analysis findings. Finally, the consultant will identify issues and recommendations regarding monitoring and assessing the region's wage and job performance.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$87,225
	UCSB Economic Forecasting Project (prime)	\$55,025
	Weaver Research & Consulting (subcontractor)	\$18,630
	D. Bahl (subcontractor)	\$13,570

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through June 30, 2007

Work Element:

07-080.SCGC2	\$87,225	Funding Sources: FHWA Planning & TDA
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Request for Proposal: SCAG staff notified 192 pre-qualified firms of the release of RFP No. 07-003. The RFP was also advertised on Lawley Publications' website, the Planning Magazine's website, and posted on SCAG's bid management system. The following five proposals were received in response to the solicitation:

Angelou Economics (0 subcontractors)	\$90,000
Innovative Research Group (0 subcontractors)	\$87,800
PA Consulting (2 subcontractors)	\$89,990
UCSB Economic Forecast Project (2 subcontractors)	\$87,225
Weiner Analytics (0 subcontractors)	\$55,054

Selection Process: The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated all five proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP, and the selection process was conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable Federal and State contracting regulations. Interviews were held with the following three of the five offerors: Innovative Research Group, PA Consulting Group, and the UCSB Economic Forecast Project.

The PRC was comprised of the following individuals:

Ping Chang, Program Manager II, SCAG
Hsi-hwa Hu, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG
Javier Minjares, Senior Regional Planner, SCAG
Chao Wei, Senior Transportation Planner, Caltrans, District 7

Basis for Selection: The PRC recommends the UCSB Economic Forecast Project for the contract award because of their unique qualifications to fulfill the requirements of the project.

The UCSB Economic Forecast Project team has completed numerous economic analysis projects in Southern California. These projects are

related to, for example, economic forecasting, workforce analysis, demographic analysis, and economic impact studies. Hence, the consultant team is very familiar with regional economic development issues.

The Consultant team has demonstrated a solid understanding of wage and job dynamics in Southern California. For example, they have pointed out concisely both in their proposals as well as the interview several dimensions of the dynamics. These included, for example, the diversification of our regional economy that has reduced the impacts of economic adverse cycles. Another dynamic was the roles played by small and medium-sized companies and emerging industry sectors in the economic turnaround from the 1990s recession. Understanding of these dynamics is very critical for a meaningful analysis of the wage and job trends in the region.

The UCSB Economic Forecast Project team also has a depth of knowledge and experience in collecting and analyzing various sources of economic related data. They have built and maintained a large multi-county forecasting and simulation model. Their proposed approach would combine the strengths of both cross section and time series data analysis. For example, they would use regression analysis of job and wage data with economic context data. In addition, the project team will conduct time series analysis to test whether the data exhibit temporal dependence. Also, the two subcontractors bring additional expertise in urban growth related issues that complements well with the core team's strengths in economic analysis.

In summary, the UCSB Economic Forecast Project team demonstrated their ability to translate their depth of experience and knowledge into sound technical approaches in wage and job trends analysis. They are uniquely qualified to fulfill the overall objective of this study.

MEMO

DATE: September 20, 2006
TO: Administration Committee and Regional Council
FROM: Wayne Moore, Chief Financial Officer
(213) 236-1804, moore@scag.ca.gov
RE: CFO Monthly Financial Report for July 2006

Background: This report contains three attachments: (1) SCAG's total budget and expenditure data as of July 31, 2006, (2) total budget and expenditure data of the General Fund and (3) a listing of payables and receivables over forty-five days old.

Budget and Expenses: The SCAG Agency-wide and General Fund financial reports are attached. This financial data is directly exported from the SAP system. The Agency-wide report is all inclusive of the OWP, General Fund, Indirect Cost and Fringe Benefits. We have categorized the accounts in the Agency-wide report to give the Regional Council a 'Big Picture' view of the SCAG financials. These categories are summarized below and detailed on the following pages. The report has been modified to show "Encumbrances" as well as the actual expenditures to give the Regional Council a more complete picture of financial activity.

At the July RC meeting, President Burke requested an analysis of the General Fund budget to determine if funds were available to cover the costs of implementing the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) program. The General Fund budget includes \$346,000 for project support. Accordingly, at the September meeting, the RC and the Administration Committee approved a \$100,000 allocation of budget to start the RHNA program.

Percent of year: 8%

Category	Budget	YTD Spent	Encumbrances	Balance	Percent Spent & Encumb.
Staff	\$11,001,207	\$546,136	\$200,218	\$10,254,853	7%
Consultant	17,799,082	34,931	15,272,165	2,491,986	86%
Sub Regions	4,268,112	0	3,865,069	403,043	91%
Direct Costs	5,379,519	475,934	1,787,432	3,116,153	42%
Fringe Benefits	4,292,245	494,383	0	3,797,862	12%
Other	3,875,094	0	0	3,875,094	0%
Total	\$46,615,259	\$1,551,384	\$21,124,884	\$23,938,991	49%

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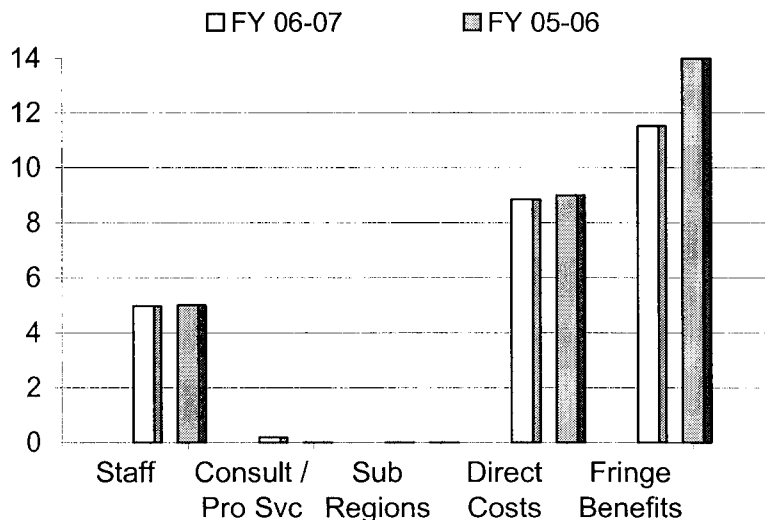
**Budget v. Actual and Encumbrances
Through July - 8% of Year**

	Budget	Yr to Date Expenditures Thru Jul	Balance	Pct of Bud	Encum- brances	YTD Expenditures Plus Encumbrs	Balance	Pct of Bud
Staff								
Salaries	10,605,287	485,383	10,119,904	5%	-	485,383	10,119,904	5%
Temporary Help	395,920	60,753	335,167	15%	200,218	260,971	134,949	66%
	11,001,207	546,136	10,455,071	5%	200,218	746,354	10,254,853	7%
Consultant / Professional Services								
SCAG Consultant	17,254,082	34,954	17,219,128	0%	15,211,502	15,246,456	2,007,626	88%
Legal Services	535,000	(23)	535,023	0%	57,663	57,640	477,360	11%
Professional Services	10,000	0	10,000	0%	3,000	3,000	7,000	30%
	17,799,082	34,931	17,764,151	0%	15,272,165	15,307,096	2,491,986	86%
Sub Regions								
Subregional Consultant	3,021,696	0	3,021,696	0%	2,762,127	2,762,127	259,569	91%
Subregional Staff Projects	1,246,416	0	1,246,416	0%	1,102,942	1,102,942	143,474	88%
	4,268,112	-	4,268,112	0%	3,865,069	3,865,069	403,043	91%
Direct Costs								
Internet Access Fees	3,000	0	3,000	0%	2,115	2,115	885	71%
Software Support	506,363	57,363	449,000	11%	2,802	60,165	446,198	12%
Hardware Support	57,000	2,019	54,981	4%	20,467	22,486	34,514	39%
Repair - Maintenance	0	0	0	0%	-	0	0	0%
Software Purchases	30,000	0	30,000	0%	19,037	19,037	10,963	63%
Office Rent - Main Office	1,200,807	106,310	1,094,497	9%	873,092	979,402	221,405	82%
Office Rent - Satellite Office	56,000	4,599	51,401	8%	42,203	46,802	9,198	84%
Equipment Leases	511,247	45,641	465,606	9%	354,252	399,893	111,354	78%
Equipment Repairs	34,730	4	34,726	0%	7,697	7,701	27,029	22%
Insurance	183,985	178,626	5,359	97%	-	178,626	5,359	97%
Payroll and Bank Process Fee	34,500	1,372	33,128	4%	-	1,372	33,128	4%
Office Supplies	115,500	5,436	110,064	5%	91,498	96,934	18,566	84%
Office Maintenance	-	-	-	0%	-	-	0	0%
Small Office Purchase	496,095	5,158	490,937	1%	76,862	82,020	414,075	17%
Telephone Charges	90,526	1,266	89,260	1%	489	1,755	88,771	2%
Postage and Delivery	82,000	5,866	76,134	7%	53,790	59,656	22,344	73%
SCAG Memberships	97,814	25,330	72,484	26%	39,774	65,104	32,710	67%
Professional Memberships	10,980	650	10,330	6%	1,685	2,335	8,645	21%
Resource Materials and Subs	43,550	4,660	38,890	11%	56,833	61,493	(17,943)	141%
Depreciation - Furniture	5,000	966	4,034	19%	-	966	4,034	19%
Depreciation - Computer	40,000	3,777	36,223	9%	-	3,777	36,223	9%
Amortization Lease	0	191	(191)	0%	-	191	(191)	0%
Capital Outlay	44,000	-	44,000	0%	-	0	44,000	0%
Recruitment Notices	25,000	1,264	23,736	5%	14,353	15,617	9,383	62%
Public Notices	65,000	350	64,650	1%	-	350	64,650	1%
Staff Training	181,000	749	180,251	0%	98,954	99,703	81,297	55%
RC & Committee Meetings	22,000	864	21,136	4%	13,499	14,363	7,637	65%
RC Retreat	17,500	-	17,500	0%	-	-	17,500	0%
RC General Assembly	17,500	-	17,500	0%	-	-	17,500	0%
Other Meeting Expense	46,500	253	46,247	1%	627	880	45,620	2%
Miscellaneous	168,583	5,041	163,542	3%	3,168	8,209	160,374	5%
RC Meeting Stipends	130,000	8,775	121,225	7%	-	8,775	121,225	7%
Letter of Credit Interest	75,000	0	75,000	0%	-	0	75,000	0%
Caltrans Rapid Pay Fees	1,000	0	1,000	0%	-	0	1,000	0%
Cash Contributions to Projects	346,839	0	346,839	0%	-	0	346,839	0%
Printing	190,000	0	190,000	0%	4,235	4,235	185,765	2%
Travel	305,400	9,319	296,081	3%	-	9,319	296,081	3%
Travel - Lod > Per Diem	3,000	0	3,000	0%	-	0	3,000	0%
Travel - Event Registration	28,800	85	28,715	0%	-	85	28,715	0%
NARC BOARD EXPENSE	3,500	-	3,500	0%	-	-	3,500	0%
RC Special Projects	18,000	0	18,000	0%	-	0	18,000	0%
RC Sponsorships	91,800	0	91,800	0%	10,000	10,000	81,800	11%
	5,379,519	475,934	4,903,585	9%	1,787,432	2,263,366	3,116,153	42%

**Budget v. Actual and Encumbrances
Through July - 8% of Year**

	Budget	Yr to Date Expenditures Thru Jul	Balance	Pct of Bud	Encum- brances	YTD Expenditures Plus Encumbrs	Balance	Pct of Bud
Fringe Benefits								
Vacation Accrual Reconciliatic	-	0	0	0%	-	0	0	0%
Severance Pay	-	0	0	0%	-	0	0	0%
Sick Leave Payback	-	0	0	0%	-	0	0	0%
Compensation Awards	-	0	0	0%	-	0	0	0%
Retirement - PERS	1,958,949	136,173	1,822,776	7%	-	136,173	1,822,776	7%
Retirement - PARS	58,045	14,803	43,242	26%	-	14,803	43,242	26%
Health Insurance	1,185,855	56,451	1,129,404	5%	-	56,451	1,129,404	5%
Dental Insurance	117,067	7,300	109,767	6%	-	7,300	109,767	6%
Vision Insurance	39,159	2,086	37,073	5%	-	2,086	37,073	5%
Life Insurance	95,000	6,469	88,531	7%	-	6,469	88,531	7%
Medical & Dental Cash Rebat	240,000	18,060	221,940	8%	-	18,060	221,940	8%
Medicare Tax	157,977	9,582	148,395	6%	-	9,582	148,395	6%
Tuition Reimbursements	5,000	0	5,000	0%	-	0	5,000	0%
Bus Passes	23,250	736	22,514	3%	-	736	22,514	3%
Carpool Reimbursements	4,120	35	4,085	1%	-	35	4,085	1%
Bus Passes - Taxable	54,000	4,404	49,596	8%	-	4,404	49,596	8%
Workers Comp Insurance	236,900	234,722	2,178	99%	-	234,722	2,178	99%
Misc. Employee Benefits	11,923	254	11,669	2%	-	254	11,669	2%
Unemployment Insurance	25,000	0	25,000	0%	-	0	25,000	0%
Deferred Comp Match	76,500	3,098	73,402	4%	-	3,098	73,402	4%
Benefit Administration Fees	3,500	210	3,290	6%	-	210	3,290	6%
	4,292,245	494,383	3,797,862	12%	-	494,383	3,797,862	12%
Other								
Soft Match Contributions	4,025,853	0	4,025,853	0%	-	0	4,025,853	0%
Exp - Local cash	165,625	0	165,625	0%	-	0	165,625	0%
Reconcile to Burden	(316,384)	0	(316,384)	0%	-	0	(316,384)	0%
	3,875,094	0	3,875,094	0%	0	0	3,875,094	0%
Grand totals:	46,615,259	1,551,384	45,063,875	3%	21,124,884	22,676,268	23,938,991	49%

% of Budget Spent @ 8% of year



Budget v. Actual and Encumbrances
General Fund Only
Through July - 8% of Year

	Budget	Yr to Date Expenditures Thru Jul	Balance	Pct of Bud	Encum- brances	YTD Expenditures Plus Encumbrs	Balance	Pct of Bud
Staff								
Salaries	31,264	-	31,264	0%	-	-	31,264	0%
Fringe Burden	17,239	-	17,239	0%	-	-	17,239	0%
Indirect Burden	51,497	-	51,497	0%	-	-	51,497	0%
	100,000	-	100,000	0%	-	-	100,000	0%
Consultant / Professional Services								
SCAG Consultant	313,050	-	313,050	0%	50,000	50,000	263,050	16%
Legal Services	200,000	-	200,000	0%	-	-	200,000	0%
Professional Services	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0%
	513,050	0	513,050	0%	50,000	50,000	463,050	10%
Direct Costs								
Payroll Bank Fees	4,500	365	4,135	8%	-	365	4,135	8%
Office Supplies	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0%
SCAG Memberships	22,614	30	22,584	0%	7,584	7,614	15,000	34%
Capital Outlay	44,000	-	44,000	0%	-	-	44,000	0%
RC & Committee Meetings	22,000	864	21,136	4%	13,499	14,363	7,637	65%
RC Retreat	17,500	-	17,500	0%	-	-	17,500	0%
RC General Assembly	17,500	-	17,500	0%	-	-	17,500	0%
TRAINING	25,000	-	25,000	0%	-	-	25,000	0%
Other Meeting Expense	20,000	-	20,000	0%	-	-	20,000	0%
Miscellaneous	21,500	869	20,631	4%	81	950	20,550	4%
RC Meeting Stipends	130,000	8,775	121,225	7%	-	8,775	121,225	7%
Letter of Credit Interest	75,000	-	75,000	0%	-	-	75,000	0%
Caltrans Rapid Pay Fees	1,000	-	1,000	0%	-	-	1,000	0%
Cash Contributions to Projects	346,839	-	346,839	0%	-	-	346,839	0%
Travel	53,700	378	53,322	1%	-	378	53,322	1%
Travel - Lod. > Per Diem	3,000	-	3,000	0%	-	-	3,000	0%
Travel - Event Registration	4,000	-	4,000	0%	-	-	4,000	0%
AMPO Board Expense	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0%
NARC BOARD EXPENSE	3,500	-	3,500	0%	-	-	3,500	0%
RC Special Projects	18,000	-	18,000	0%	-	-	18,000	0%
RC Sponsorships	91,800	-	91,800	0%	10,000	10,000	81,800	11%
	921,453	11,281	910,172	1%	31,164	42,445	879,008	5%
Grand totals:	1,534,503	11,281	1,523,222	1%	81,164	92,445	1,442,058	6%

Southern California Association of Governments
 Review of Past Due Accounts Receivable and Accoudnts Payables
 As of 09/20/06

Funding Agency Project	Reason for delay	Actions taken	Amount	Age	Prognosis
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There are no ARs or APs older
 than 45 days as of July 31,2006.

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DATE: October 5, 2007
TO: Regional Council
FROM: Jeffrey S. Dunn
Government Affairs Analyst
SUBJECT: State and Federal Legislation Matrix

SUMMARY:

The attached legislative bill matrix provides summaries of state and federal legislation relevant to SCAG activities and items of interest.

These legislative bills are organized by subject matter in the following categories: Air Quality, Energy, Environment, Gdsmvmt, GovBondBills, Housing, Land Use, SWCompactBills, Solid Waste, Transportation, Transit and Water.

Bill summaries include known on-record positions for other statewide organizations following these issues such as the California League of Cities, California State Association of Counties, CALCOG, and others. Also included for your information is each bill's position in the legislative process. Any bills included in previous matrices that have failed to move, i.e., 'dead' bills, have been purged from the matrix.

Please feel free to contact me at (213)-236-1880 if you have any questions or wish to discuss any legislative bill or issue.

Att.

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CA AB 1430

AUTHOR: Goldberg (D)
TITLE: Air Contaminants
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires the State Air Resources Board's environmental justice advisory committee to review each updated methodology used by air pollution control districts and air quality management districts to calculate the value of credits issued for emission reductions for stationary, mobile, indirect, and areawide sources, including those issued under market-based incentives programs, when those credits are used interchangeable, with certain requirements.

STATUS:

08/28/2006 *****To GOVERNOR.
Subject: AirQuality

CA AB 2823

AUTHOR: Ruskin (D)
TITLE: Air Pollution: District Compliance Programs
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/24/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/22/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To enrollment
SUMMARY:

Requires districts with a specified population, for any notice of violation of specified nuisance laws and regulations, to post a copy of the notice on the district's website, to provide a copy of the notice to the state board, the city and county where the violation occurred, and other appropriate governmental entities, to place a notice in a newspaper, and to post a laminated copy of the notice on each side of the violating facility. Requires any person violating specified nuisance laws to pay costs.

STATUS:

08/31/2006 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY for concurrence.
08/31/2006 In ASSEMBLY. ASSEMBLY concurred in SENATE amendments. To enrollment.

CA AB 2825

AUTHOR: Ruskin (D)
TITLE: Schoolsites: Hazardous Emissions and Substances
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/24/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To enrollment
SUMMARY:

Requires the identification of both existing and proposed facilities that emit hazardous air emissions or handle extremely hazardous substances or hazardous waste, within a school district's authority. Requires an appropriate planning commission report to contain information included in an environmental impact report or negative declaration. Requires an administering agency to provide information regarding existing and proposed facilities. Defines hazardous air emission and extremely hazardous substance.

STATUS:

08/31/2006 In ASSEMBLY. ASSEMBLY concurred in SENATE amendments. To enrollment.

CA AB 2880

AUTHOR: Lieu (D)
TITLE: Integrated Waste Management Board: Green Buildings
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/24/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: Failed - Adjourned
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:

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Requires the Integrated Waste Management Board to make available to the public, in part through the board's internet web site, public resources about green buildings. Requires the board to establish an advisory committee and see the advice of the committee in developing, maintaining, and updating the Internet Web site.

STATUS:

08/17/2006

In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

CA SB 757

AUTHOR: Kehoe (D)
TITLE: Oil Conservation, Efficiency and Alternative Fuels Act
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/21/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Enacts the Oil Conservation, Efficiency and Alternative Fuels Act. Requires state agencies to take the state's transportation energy goals into account in adopting rules and regulations. Relates to toxic air contaminants and public vehicles. Relates to oil industry price and supply reporting requirements. Relates to replacing lost gasoline and diesel fuel taxes. Requires submission of a transportation energy conservation, efficiency and alternative fuel policy assessment. Relates to vehicle fuel economy.

STATUS:

09/08/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

Subject: AirQuality

Private file: Energy

CA AB 2104

AUTHOR: Lieber (D)
TITLE: Energy: Alternate Rates for Energy Program
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/17/2006
LAST AMEND: 06/15/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires the Public Utilities Commission to improve the Alternate Rates for Energy application process for tenants of a mobilehome park, apartment building, or similar residential complex receiving electric or gas service from a master-meter customer by developing processes whereby electrical and gas corporations are able to directly accept applications from tenants Requires the commission to require such corporations to provide each master-meter customer with a list of tenants who receive a discount.

STATUS:

08/21/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA AB 2390

AUTHOR: Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee
TITLE: Public Utilities Commission: Reporting/Rehearings
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/23/2006
ENACTED: 09/07/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 217
SUMMARY:

Requires the Public Utilities Commission to notify the parties of the issuance of an order or decision by mail or, with consent, electronic transmission and to report on energy efficiency and conservation programs. Revises the definition of date of issuance to mean the mailing or electronic transmission date that is stamped on the official version of the order or decision. Specifies that the issuance of a decision or the granting of an application is to be construed to have occurred on issuance.

STATUS:

09/07/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

09/07/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 217

CA SB 1

AUTHOR: Murray (D)
TITLE: Electricity: Solar Energy: Net Metering
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no

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URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/06/2004
ENACTED: 08/21/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 132
SUMMARY:

Requires a seller of production homes to offer the option of a solar energy system to all customers negotiating the purchase of such home and to disclose certain information. Allows a bypass of this requirement for the installation of a solar energy system in such homes. Requires the Public Utilities Commission on implementing the State Solar Initiative to award monetary incentives for eligible systems, to adopt a performance-based program including energy efficiency improvements. Relates to contractors.

STATUS:
08/21/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
08/21/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 132
Subject: Environment

CA SB 107

AUTHOR: Simitian (D)
TITLE: Renewable Energy: Research and Development
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 01/20/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/29/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: Enrolled
SUMMARY:

Revises and recasts language so the amount of electricity generated per year from eligible renewable energy resources is increased to an amount that equals at least 20% of the total electricity sold to retail customers per year by December 31, 2010. Provides an exemption. Requires the Energy Commission to develop mechanisms for renewable energy credits and to include an assessment of increasing electricity from renewable resources in its energy report. Relates to payments to out of state facilities.

STATUS:
09/08/2006 Enrolled.
Subject: Energy

CA SB 1505

AUTHOR: Lowenthal (D)
TITLE: Fuel: Hydrogen Alternative Fuel
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/23/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/21/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Declares the legislature's intent that, when the state hydrogen highway blueprint plan is implemented, it be done so in a clean and environmentally responsible and advantageous manner. Requires the state Air Resources Board to adopt regulations that will ensure that state funding for the production and use of hydrogen fuel contributes to the reduction of greenhouse gas, criteria air pollutant and toxic air contaminant emissions and to meet certain requirements. Relates to level of hydrogen fuel dispensed.

STATUS:
09/06/2006 *****To GOVERNOR.

Private file: Environment

CA AB 32

AUTHOR: Nunez (D)
TITLE: Greenhouse Gases: Global Warming Solutions Act
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/06/2004
LAST AMEND: 08/30/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt regulations to require the reporting and verification of statewide greenhouse gas emissions and to monitor and enforce compliance with this requirement, to

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adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide levels in 1990 to be achieved by 2020, to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective emissions reduction and to adopt a source of emission fee schedule.

STATUS:

09/05/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

Private file: Gdsmvmt

CA SB 760

AUTHOR: Lowenthal (D)
TITLE: Ports: Congestion Relief: Security Enhancement
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
LAST AMEND: 05/27/2005
DISPOSITION: Failed - Adjourned
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:

Imposes on each shipping container processed in the Port of Los Angeles or the Port of Long Beach a fee of \$30 per twenty-foot equivalent unit, payable by the marine terminal operator processing the container to the port where the marine terminal is located. Requires each port to retain 1/3 of the funds derived from imposition of the fee and transmit the remaining 2/3 in the amount of 1/2 due to the Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund and 1/2 to the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

STATUS:

08/17/2006

In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Heard, remains in Committee.

CA SB 1282

AUTHOR: Ducheny (D)
TITLE: Transportation: Federal Funds: Border Infrastructure
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 02/14/2006
LAST AMEND: 05/02/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires federal funds apportioned to the state under the coordinated border infrastructure program of the Safe, Accountable Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) to be programmed, allocated and expended in the same manner as other federal transportation capital funds in the state transportation improvement program. Authorizes use of funds for projects in Mexico. Provides for programming the use of funds needed to match related federal funding.

STATUS:

08/30/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1286

AUTHOR: Ducheny (D)
TITLE: Binational Air Pollution
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/14/2006
LAST AMEND: 05/26/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Specifies the membership of the California delegation to the binational council to address air quality issues in the binational air basin that encompasses Imperial County and the City of Mexicali. Requires the binational council's meetings to be open to the public and requires the binational council to perform specified functions, including, but not limited to, identifying and recommending strategies and actions that could be taken to improve air quality within the air basin.

STATUS:

08/30/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

US HR 1319

SPONSOR: Reyes (D)
TITLE: United States Mexico Border Area
INTRODUCED: 03/15/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Multiple Committees

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SUMMARY:

To improve the health of residents of, and the environment in, the United States - Mexico border area.

STATUS:

03/15/2005 INTRODUCED.
03/15/2005 To HOUSE Committee on ENERGY AND COMMERCE.
03/15/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on EDUCATION AND THE WORKFORCE.
03/15/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on AGRICULTURE.
03/15/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES.
03/15/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.
03/15/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.
03/15/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on ARMED SERVICES.

US HR 1349

SPONSOR: Oberstar (DFL)
TITLE: Economic Development
INTRODUCED: 03/16/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Multiple Committees
SUMMARY:

To amend title 40, United States Code, to provide a comprehensive regional approach to economic and infrastructure development in the most severely distressed regions in the Nation.

STATUS:

03/16/2005 INTRODUCED.
03/16/2005 To HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.
03/16/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES.

US HR 2672

SPONSOR: Harris (R)
TITLE: Secretary of Homeland Security
INTRODUCED: 05/26/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Multiple Committees
SUMMARY:

Directs the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a program to enhance the mutual security and safety of the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

STATUS:

05/26/2005 INTRODUCED.
05/26/2005 To HOUSE Committee on INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.
05/26/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on ARMED SERVICES.
05/26/2005 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on HOMELAND SECURITY.

US S 1875

SPONSOR: Bingaman (D)
TITLE: Financial Aid to Border Law Enforcement Officials
INTRODUCED: 10/17/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Judiciary Committee
SUMMARY:

Provides financial aid to local law enforcement officials along the Nation's borders, and for other purposes.

STATUS:

10/17/2005 INTRODUCED.
10/17/2005 In SENATE. Read second time.
10/17/2005 To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.

Private file: GovBondBills

CA AB 127

AUTHOR: Nunez (D)
TITLE: Education Facilities: Kindergarten-University Bond Act
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 01/13/2005
ENACTED: 05/20/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 35
SUMMARY:

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Enacts the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006. Authorizes a specified amount in state general obligation bonds to provide aid to school districts, county superintendents of schools, county boards of education, the California Community Colleges, the University of California, the Hastings College of the Law, and the California State University to construct and modernize education facilities.

STATUS:

05/20/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

05/20/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 35

CA AB 140

AUTHOR:

Nunez (D)

TITLE:

Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bonds

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

no

URGENCY CLAUSE:

yes

INTRODUCED:

01/13/2005

ENACTED:

05/19/2006

DISPOSITION:

Enacted

LOCATION:

Chaptered

CHAPTER:

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SUMMARY:

Enacts the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006. Authorizes the issuance of a specified amount of bonds for the purposes of financing disaster preparedness and flood prevention projects.

STATUS:

05/19/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

05/19/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 33

CA AB 142

AUTHOR:

Nunez (D)

TITLE:

Flood Control: Levee Repair and Flood Control

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

no

URGENCY CLAUSE:

yes

INTRODUCED:

01/13/2005

ENACTED:

05/19/2006

DISPOSITION:

Enacted

LOCATION:

Chaptered

CHAPTER:

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SUMMARY:

Appropriates a specified amount of funds to the Department of Water Resources for levee evaluation and repair, and related work, and flood control system improvements. Requires that the levee repairs for those critical levee erosion sites identified under a specified Governor's executive order be made with funds appropriated.

STATUS:

05/19/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

05/19/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 34

CA AB 1039

AUTHOR:

Nunez (D)

TITLE:

Government: Environment: Bonds: Transportation

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

no

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/22/2005

ENACTED:

05/19/2006

DISPOSITION:

Enacted

LOCATION:

Chaptered

CHAPTER:

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SUMMARY:

Exempts specified levee, highway and bridge retrofit projects from the California Environmental Quality Act. Provides for a master environmental impact report for a plan adopted by the Department of Transportation for improvements to segments of Highway 99 funded by specified bond funds. Consents the jurisdiction of federal courts to the surface transportation project delivery pilot program. Provides for a consolidated permit or approval for urgent levee repairs funded by specified bond funds.

STATUS:

05/19/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

05/19/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 31

CA AB 1467

AUTHOR:

Nunez (D)

TITLE:

Transportation Projects: Facilities: Partnerships

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
ENACTED: 05/19/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 32
SUMMARY:

Authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies to enter into comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities, or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects that may charge certain users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and requirements. Authorizes regional transportation agencies to apply to develop and operate high-occupancy toll lanes. Limits the number of such projects.

STATUS:
05/19/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
05/19/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 32

CA SB 1266

AUTHOR: Perata (D)
TITLE: Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 02/09/2006
ENACTED: 05/16/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 25
SUMMARY:

Enacts the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. Authorizes a specified amount of general obligation bonds for transportation corridor improvements, trade infrastructure and port security projects, schoolbus retrofit, transportation improvements, transit and rail improvements, state-local transportation projects, transit security, local bridge retrofit, highway-railroad grade and crossing projects, highway rehabilitation, local street and road improvements.

STATUS:
05/16/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
05/16/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 25

CA SB 1689

AUTHOR: Perata (D)
TITLE: Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 02/24/2006
ENACTED: 05/17/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 27
SUMMARY:

Enacts the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006. Authorizes the issuance of a specified amount of general obligation funds of which the proceeds will be used to finance various existing housing program, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks. Establishes the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program to receive funding from the proceeds of the bond act.

STATUS:
05/17/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
05/17/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 27

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AUTHOR: Torlakson (D)
TITLE: Transportation Investment Fund
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/15/2005
ADOPTED: 05/09/2006
DISPOSITION: Adopted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 49
SUMMARY:

Proposes an amendment to the Constitution to authorize a suspension, in whole or in part, of a transfer

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of motor vehicle fuel sales tax funds to the Transportation Investment Fund for a fiscal year under certain circumstances. Prohibits a suspension from occurring more than twice during a period of 10 consecutive fiscal years. Prohibits a suspension in any fiscal year in which a required repayment from a prior suspension has not been fully completed.

STATUS:

05/09/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State.

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Resolution Chapter No. 49

Private file: Housing

CA AB 2511

AUTHOR: Jones (D)
TITLE: Land Use: Housing
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/23/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/24/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: Enrolled
SUMMARY:

Relates to the Planning and Zoning Law. Prohibits a local government agency from disapproving a housing development project or conditioning the approval of a housing development project so that it renders the project infeasible if the basis for the disapproval or conditional approval includes discrimination. Allows a court to compel compliance with these provisions. Provides that if a city or county fails to submit the housing portion of its long-term general plan a court is required to compel compliance.

STATUS:

09/13/2006

Enrolled.

CA AB 2572

AUTHOR: Emmerson (R)
TITLE: Housing Element: Colleges
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/23/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/08/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: Enrolled
SUMMARY:

Requires each council of governments or delegate subregion to include among factors to develop certain methodology for distributing existing and projected regional housing needs, the housing needs generated by the presence of a private university or a campus of the California State University or the University of California within any member jurisdiction.

STATUS:

09/14/2006

Enrolled.

CA AB 2634

AUTHOR: Lieber (D)
TITLE: Housing Elements
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/24/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/28/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To enrollment
SUMMARY:

Relates to the Planning and Zoning Law. Provides that the required analysis of population and employment trends and quantification of the locality's existing and projected housing needs for all income levels shall include extremely low-income households. Provides that any amendment that alters the required content of a housing element shall apply to any housing element or housing element amendment the draft of which is submitted to the department.

STATUS:

08/31/2006

In ASSEMBLY. ASSEMBLY concurred in SENATE amendments. To enrollment.

Private file: LandUse

CA AB 773

AUTHOR: Mullin (D)
TITLE: Redevelopment: Referendum
FISCAL COMMITTEE:

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no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/18/2005
ENACTED: 08/28/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 161
SUMMARY:

Amends the Community Redevelopment Law that authorizes the establishment of redevelopment agencies and prescribes certain requirements applicable to referendum petitions circulated in cities and counties with a certain population, relating to a redevelopment plan that is subject to referendum, including the timeframe for submission of the petition to the clerk of the legislative body. Makes a 90-day timeframe applicable to all cities and counties.

STATUS:

08/28/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
08/28/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 161
Subject: Housing

CA AB 1387

AUTHOR: Jones (D)
TITLE: CEQA Residential Infill Projects
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Provides that, if a residential project not exceeding 100 units with a specified minimum density and within 1/2 mile of the transit stop, or an infill site, in an urbanized area is in compliance with traffic, circulation, and transportation policies of the general, community or specific plan and applicable local ordinances, the city or county is not required to comply with specified requirements with respect to making any findings regarding the significant environmental effects from the project on traffic.

STATUS:

09/06/2006 *****To GOVERNOR.
Position: League-Sup 04/20/2005

CA AB 2259

AUTHOR: Salinas (D)
TITLE: Local Agency Formation: Extension of Services
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2006
LAST AMEND: 06/14/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Relates to and extends the provisions of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000. Permits a local agency formation commission to review and comment on the extension of services into previously unserved territory within the unincorporated areas and the creation of new service providers to extend urban type development into previously unserved areas to ensure that the proposed extension is consistent with the policies of the commission and certain policies under state law.

STATUS:

08/21/2006 *****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 53

AUTHOR: Kehoe (D)
TITLE: Redevelopment
INTRODUCED: 01/10/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires redevelopment plans to contain a description of the redevelopment agency's program to acquire real property by eminent domain, including prohibitions, on the use of eminent domain, and a time limit for the commencement of eminent domain proceedings. Requires such agency to find that significant blight remains in the project area and cannot be eliminated without the use of eminent domain before amending a redevelopment plan to extend the time limitation for commencement of

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proceedings.

STATUS:

09/01/2006

Subject:

*****To GOVERNOR.

Transport

CA SB 927

AUTHOR:

Lowenthal (D)

TITLE:

Ports: Congestion Relief: Security: Environment

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/22/2005

LAST AMEND:

08/24/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Requires the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to develop a user fee on the owner of container cargo moving through the port and to retain a portion for projects to improve security. Requires the remainder of the fee to be transmitted to the Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund for rail project to improve moving port container cargo and the Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund to develop project to mitigate environmental pollution caused by the movement of cargo in the ports.

STATUS:

09/13/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

Subject:

LandUse, Transport

Private file: SWCompactBills

CA AB 402

AUTHOR:

Dymally (D)

TITLE:

Family Law Court: Marriage

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/15/2005

LAST AMEND:

08/28/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

Enrolled

SUMMARY:

Enacts the Collaborative Family Law Act, to allow the parties to proceedings of the dissolution or nullification of marriage and legal separation to utilize a collaborative law process rather than an adversarial judicial proceeding to resolve those disputes. Requires a court to issue a statement explaining the factual and legal basis for its custody decision upon the trial of a question of fact in a proceeding to determine the custody of a minor.

STATUS:

09/14/2006

Enrolled.

CA SB 1282

AUTHOR:

Ducheny (D)

TITLE:

Transportation: Federal Funds: Border Infrastructure

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

no

URGENCY CLAUSE:

yes

INTRODUCED:

02/14/2006

LAST AMEND:

05/02/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Requires federal funds apportioned to the state under the coordinated border infrastructure program of the Safe, Accountable Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) to be programmed, allocated and expended in the same manner as other federal transportation capital funds in the state transportation improvement program. Authorizes use of funds for projects in Mexico. Provides for programming the use of funds needed to match related federal funding.

STATUS:

08/30/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1286

AUTHOR:

Ducheny (D)

TITLE:

Binational Air Pollution

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/14/2006

LAST AMEND:

05/26/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

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LOCATION: To Governor

SUMMARY:

Specifies the membership of the California delegation to the binational council to address air quality issues in the binational air basin that encompasses Imperial County and the City of Mexicali. Requires the binational council's meetings to be open to the public and requires the binational council to perform specified functions, including, but not limited to, identifying and recommending strategies and actions that could be taken to improve air quality within the air basin.

STATUS:

08/30/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

US HR 469

SPONSOR: Kolbe (R)
TITLE: Hydrogeologic Characterization
INTRODUCED: 02/01/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: House Resources Committee
SUMMARY:

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States on the border with Mexico and other appropriate entities in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for priority transboundary aquifers, and for other purposes.

STATUS:

02/01/2005

INTRODUCED.

02/01/2005

To HOUSE Committee on RESOURCES.

US HR 1319

SPONSOR: Reyes (D)
TITLE: United States Mexico Border Area
INTRODUCED: 03/15/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Multiple Committees
SUMMARY:

To improve the health of residents of, and the environment in, the United States - Mexico border area.

STATUS:

03/15/2005

INTRODUCED.

03/15/2005

To HOUSE Committee on ENERGY AND COMMERCE.

03/15/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on EDUCATION AND THE WORKFORCE.

03/15/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on AGRICULTURE.

03/15/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES.

03/15/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.

03/15/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

03/15/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on ARMED SERVICES.

US HR 1349

SPONSOR: Oberstar (DFL)
TITLE: Economic Development
INTRODUCED: 03/16/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Multiple Committees
SUMMARY:

To amend title 40, United States Code, to provide a comprehensive regional approach to economic and infrastructure development in the most severely distressed regions in the Nation.

STATUS:

03/16/2005

INTRODUCED.

03/16/2005

To HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.

03/16/2005

Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES.

US HR 2672

SPONSOR: Harris (R)
TITLE: Secretary of Homeland Security
INTRODUCED: 05/26/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Multiple Committees
SUMMARY:

Directs the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a program to enhance the mutual security and safety of the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

STATUS:

05/26/2005

INTRODUCED.

05/26/2005

To HOUSE Committee on INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

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Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on ARMED SERVICES.
Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on HOMELAND SECURITY.

JS HR 4893

SPONSOR: Pombo (R)
TITLE: Indian Gaming Regulator
INTRODUCED: 03/07/2006
DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: HOUSE
SUMMARY:

Amends section 20 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to restrict off - reservation gaming.

STATUS:

09/13/2006 From HOUSE Committee on RESOURCES: Reported as amended.
09/13/2006 In HOUSE. Failed to pass HOUSE.

US HR 6043

SPONSOR: Hastings D (R)
TITLE: Native American Graves Protection
INTRODUCED: 09/07/2006
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: House Resources Committee
SUMMARY:

Amends the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act so that it will be interpreted in accordance with the original intent of Congress to require a significant relationship be found between remains discovered on federal lands and presently existing Native American tribes for those remains to be applicable under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

STATUS:

09/07/2006 INTRODUCED.
09/07/2006 To HOUSE Committee on RESOURCES.

US S 1875

SPONSOR: Bingaman (D)
TITLE: Financial Aid to Border Law Enforcement Officials
INTRODUCED: 10/17/2005
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Judiciary Committee
SUMMARY:

Provides financial aid to local law enforcement officials along the Nation's borders, and for other purposes.

STATUS:

10/17/2005 INTRODUCED.
10/17/2005 In SENATE. Read second time.
10/17/2005 To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.

Private file: SolidWaste

CA AB 1333

AUTHOR: Frommer (D)
TITLE: Grease Waste Haulers
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
ENACTED: 08/28/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 186
SUMMARY:

Prohibits a grease waste hauler from removing grease from a grease trap or interceptor unless the hauler removes all grease, grease liquid, water, and solids from the trap or interceptor each time of removal. Subjects a hauler to a civil penalty for a violation. Allows the enforcement of these provisions only against a grease waste hauling company. Provides distribution of civil penalties. Makes it an offense for a hauler to reinsert or to improperly deposit grease in specified ways. Provides exceptions.

STATUS:

08/28/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
08/28/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 186

CA AB 1992

AUTHOR: Canciamilla (D)
TITLE: Solid Waste: Dumping
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE:

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no
INTRODUCED: 02/09/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/16/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Provides that the placing, depositing, dumping, of solid waste or overflow, sewage, sludge, cesspool or septic tank effluent, or accumulation of human excreta, or garbage on private property, without the owner's consent, is a misdemeanor. Prohibits placing, depositing, or dumping of solid waste upon private property by the owner or person authorized by the owner, from creating a nuisance and revises highway and road dumping. Increases the mandatory fine for the first conviction. Provides a reward.

STATUS:

09/06/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA AB 2147

AUTHOR: Harman (R)
TITLE: Solid Waste: Plastic Food/Beverage Containers
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2006
LAST AMEND: 06/27/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Prohibits a person from selling a plastic food or beverage container that is labeled as biodegradable or similarly described unless the container meets a current ASTM standard specification for compostable plastics the term used on the label.

STATUS:

08/29/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA AB 2206

AUTHOR: Montanez (D)
TITLE: Recycling: Multifamily Dwellings.
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2006
LAST AMEND: 03/27/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires local jurisdictions to report on the progress made in the diversion and recycling of waste material at multifamily dwellings in their annual report to add an additional factor related to diversion and recycling of solid waste from multifamily dwellings that the Integrated Waste Management Board would be required to consider in determining the appropriateness of imposing penalties on a local jurisdiction. Requires the board to make available model ordinances for solid waste reduction.

STATUS:

09/08/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

Private file: Transit

CA AB 372

AUTHOR: Nation (D)
TITLE: Public Contracts: Transit Design-Build Contracts
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/11/2005
ENACTED: 09/14/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 262
SUMMARY:

Extends existing law that allows transit operators to enter a design-build contract pursuant to certain procedures. Specifies that a transit operator should establish a labor compliance program only for such contracts and only if the operator does not have a program. Requires the operator to select the design-build entity for projects based on the lowest responsible bidder. Requires the preparation of certain documents. Expands the definition of a transit operator to include a consolidated agency.

STATUS:

09/14/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

09/14/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 262

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Private file: Transportation

CA AB 372

AUTHOR: Nation (D)
TITLE: Public Contracts: Transit Design-Build Contracts
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/11/2005
ENACTED: 09/14/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 262
SUMMARY:

Extends existing law that allows transit operators to enter a design-build contract pursuant to certain procedures. Specifies that a transit operator should establish a labor compliance program only for such contracts and only if the operator does not have a program. Requires the operator to select the design-build entity for projects based on the lowest responsible bidder. Requires the preparation of certain documents. Expands the definition of a transit operator to include a consolidated agency.

STATUS:

09/14/2006 Signed by GOVERNOR.
09/14/2006 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 262

CA AB 521

AUTHOR: Runner S (R)
TITLE: Transportation Facilities: Public-Private Partnerships
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/16/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/28/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: Enrolled
SUMMARY:

Amends existing law that authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies to enter into a specified number of comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects and all such actions must be submitted to the Legislature for approval or rejection, to modify those provisions to provide the Legislature has 60 legislative days to act on such agreements.

STATUS:

09/14/2006 Enrolled.

CA AB 1020

AUTHOR: Hancock (D)
TITLE: Transportation Planning: Improved Travel Models
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/09/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires the Transportation Commission to adopt guidelines related to the travel demand models used in the development of regional transportation plans by regional transportation planning agencies. Requires a regional transportation planning agency for a region with a population of 800,000 or more to use those guidelines. Specifies certain policy choices that a travel demand model shall be capable of evaluating. Requires the Department of Transportation to assist the commission, on request, in this regard.

STATUS:

09/06/2006 *****To GOVERNOR.
Subject: Transport

CA AB 1699

AUTHOR: Frommer (D)
TITLE: Commuter And Intercity Passenger Trains
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2005
LAST AMEND: 08/22/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To enrollment

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SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Transportation to contract with the Institute of Transportation Studies to conduct a study of the safety of push-pull commuter rail and intercity rail passenger operations, and would require the study to be submitted to the Legislature by June 1, 2008.

STATUS:

08/31/2006

In ASSEMBLY. ASSEMBLY concurred in SENATE amendments. To enrollment.

Subject:

Transport

CA AB 2295

AUTHOR:

Arambula (D)

TITLE:

Transportation Capital Improvement Projects

INTRODUCED:

02/22/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

States that local road rehabilitation projects are eligible for funds allocated for transportation capital improvement funds.

STATUS:

09/06/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

Position:

CALCOG-Sup, CSAC-Sup

CA AB 2538

AUTHOR:

Wolk (D)

TITLE:

Transportation Funds

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/23/2006

LAST AMEND:

05/26/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Authorizes each transportation planning agency or county transportation commission to request and receive up to 5% of federal metropolitan planning funds for the purposes of project planning, programming, and monitoring. Changes references to regional improvement funds to instead refer to county share.

STATUS:

09/08/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA AB 2600

AUTHOR:

Lieu (D)

TITLE:

Vehicles: HOV Lanes

INTRODUCED:

02/24/2006

LAST AMEND:

08/28/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

Enrolled

SUMMARY:

Extends certain provisions of law relating to allowing low-emission and hybrid vehicles to operate in HOV Lanes. Increases the number of described distinctive decals, labels, and other identifiers that are required to be issued by the Department of Transportation.

STATUS:

09/14/2006

Enrolled.

Position:

CALCOG-Opp

CA SB 927

AUTHOR:

Lowenthal (D)

TITLE:

Ports: Congestion Relief: Security: Environment

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/22/2005

LAST AMEND:

08/24/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Requires the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to develop a user fee on the owner of container cargo moving through the port and to retain a portion for projects to improve security. Requires the remainder of the fee to be transmitted to the Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund for rail project to improve moving port container cargo and the Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund to develop project to mitigate environmental pollution caused by the movement of cargo in the ports.

STATUS:

09/13/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1237

AUTHOR: Maldonado (R)
TITLE: Vehicles: Combination Length
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/06/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Relates to the prohibition of certain combinations of agricultural vehicles from exceeding a total length of 65 feet. Requires the combination of vehicles, in order to qualify for an exception, to not exceed 50 mph when operating on the highway, to complete a commercial vehicle safety alliance inspection by the Highway Patrol, and to operate on the highways only after the development of safe routing techniques. Limits exceptions to Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

STATUS:

09/08/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1282

AUTHOR: Ducheny (D)
TITLE: Transportation: Federal Funds: Border Infrastructure
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 02/14/2006
LAST AMEND: 05/02/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires federal funds apportioned to the state under the coordinated border infrastructure program of the Safe, Accountable Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) to be programmed, allocated and expended in the same manner as other federal transportation capital funds in the state transportation improvement program. Authorizes use of funds for projects in Mexico. Provides for programming the use of funds needed to match related federal funding.

STATUS:

08/30/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1384

AUTHOR: Kuehl (D)
TITLE: Los Angeles-Exposition Metro Line Light Rail Project
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2006
LAST AMEND: 08/07/2006
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:

Requires the Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority, upon allocation of federal and local funds by the LACMTA, to conduct environmental studies in addition to the financial studies and the planning and engineering necessary for the completion of the Los Angeles-Exposition Metro Line light rail project. Revises the provisions requiring the LACMTA to enter into an agreement with the construction authority to hold in trust certain property and assets. Relates to appointments to the authority.

STATUS:

09/01/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1436

AUTHOR: Figueroa (D)
TITLE: Small Business: State Agency Information
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2006
ENACTED: 09/12/2006
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 234
SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Technology Services to create a link to state agency Web sites at the State of California Internet portal specifically for the use of small businesses in accessing information regarding startup requirements and regulatory compliance to the particular business. Requires each agency that significantly regulates small business or significantly impacts small business, to designate

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at least one individual who shall serve as a small business liaison for the agency.

STATUS:

09/12/2006

Signed by GOVERNOR.

09/12/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 234

CA SB 1587

AUTHOR:

Lowenthal (D)

TITLE:

Transportation Planning: Federal Funds

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/24/2006

LAST AMEND:

08/24/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Requires a transportation planning agency to submit an updated regional transportation plan every 4 years, except that specified agencies may submit its plan every 5 years. Requires the Department of Transportation to provide specified congestion mitigation and air quality program funds for the 2007 and 2008 federal fiscal years for the Monterey Bay and Santa Barbara regions.

STATUS:

09/13/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1687

AUTHOR:

Murray (D)

TITLE:

Metropolitan Transportation Authority and District

INTRODUCED:

02/24/2006

LAST AMEND:

08/24/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Amends existing law governing the purchases of all supplies, equipment and materials of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, when the expenditure exceeds a specified amount, to be contract let to the lowest responsible bidder or to the responsible bidder who submits a proposal that provides the best value.

STATUS:

09/12/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

CA SB 1703

AUTHOR:

Lowenthal (D)

TITLE:

State Transportation Commission

INTRODUCED:

02/24/2006

LAST AMEND:

08/07/2006

DISPOSITION:

To Governor

LOCATION:

To Governor

SUMMARY:

Relates to the State Transportation Commission. Expands the commission with additional members appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Committee on Rules.

STATUS:

09/01/2006

Enrolled.

09/01/2006

*****To GOVERNOR.

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AUTHOR:

Torlakson (D)

TITLE:

Transportation Investment Fund

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

yes

URGENCY CLAUSE:

no

INTRODUCED:

02/15/2005

ADOPTED:

05/09/2006

DISPOSITION:

Adopted

LOCATION:

Chaptered

CHAPTER:

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SUMMARY:

Proposes an amendment to the Constitution to authorize a suspension, in whole or in part, of a transfer of motor vehicle fuel sales tax funds to the Transportation Investment Fund for a fiscal year under certain circumstances. Prohibits a suspension from occurring more than twice during a period of 10 consecutive fiscal years. Prohibits a suspension in any fiscal year in which a required repayment from a prior suspension has not been fully completed.

STATUS:

05/09/2006

Chaptered by Secretary of State.

05/09/2006

Resolution Chapter No. 49

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Subject: Revenue/Bond, Transport

US HR 3

SPONSOR: Young D (R)
TITLE: Highway Program Funds
INTRODUCED: 02/09/2005
ENACTED: 08/10/2005
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER #: 109-59
SUMMARY:

Creates the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act; authorizes funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs.

STATUS:

09/01/2005

Public Law No. 109-59

US HR 5576

SPONSOR: Knollenberg (R)
TITLE: Department Appropriations
INTRODUCED: 06/09/2006
LAST AMEND: 06/14/2006
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

Makes appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007.

STATUS:

07/26/2006

From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

07/26/2006

In SENATE. Placed on SENATE Legislative Calendar.

US S 2349

SPONSOR: Lott (R)
TITLE: Legislative Process
INTRODUCED: 03/01/2006
LAST AMEND: 05/23/2006
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Conference Committee
SUMMARY:

Provides greater transparency in the legislative process.

STATUS:

05/23/2006

In HOUSE. Amended on HOUSE floor.

05/23/2006

In HOUSE. Passed HOUSE. *****To SENATE for concurrence.

05/23/2006

In HOUSE. HOUSE insists on its amendments and agrees to a conference.

05/23/2006

*****To CONFERENCE Committee.

US S 2383

SPONSOR: Baucus (D)
TITLE: Equity Act
INTRODUCED: 03/07/2006
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
SUMMARY:

Amends the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to make a technical correction.

STATUS:

03/07/2006

INTRODUCED.

03/07/2006

In SENATE. Read second time.

03/07/2006

To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS.

US S 2388

SPONSOR: Voinovich (R)
TITLE: National Commission
INTRODUCED: 03/08/2006
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
SUMMARY:

Establishes a National Commission on the Infrastructure of the United States.

STATUS:

03/08/2006

INTRODUCED.

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In SENATE. Read second time.
To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS.

Private file: Water

JS HR 469	SPONSOR: TITLE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Kolbe (R) Hydrogeologic Characterization 02/01/2005 Pending House Resources Committee To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States on the border with Mexico and other appropriate entities in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for priority transboundary aquifers, and for other purposes. STATUS: 02/01/2005 02/01/2005	INTRODUCED. To HOUSE Committee on RESOURCES.
US HR 624	SPONSOR: TITLE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Camp (R) Federal Water Pollution Control Act 02/08/2005 Pending HOUSE To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for sewer overflow control grants. STATUS: 07/13/2005	From HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Reported.
US HR 2864	SPONSOR: TITLE: INTRODUCED: LAST AMEND: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Young D (R) Conservation and Development of Water 06/13/2005 07/19/2006 Pending Conference Committee Provides for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes. STATUS: 09/13/2006 09/13/2006	In HOUSE. HOUSE refused to concur in SENATE amendments and agrees to a conference. *****To CONFERENCE Committee.
US HR 4560	SPONSOR: TITLE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Duncan (R) Federal Water Pollution Control Act 12/15/2005 Pending Multiple Committees Amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for State water pollution control revolving funds, and for other purposes. STATUS: 01/03/2006	In HOUSE Committee on RESOURCES: Referred to Subcommittee on FISHERIES AND OCEANS.

MEMO

DATE: October 5, 2006

TO: Regional Council
Transportation and Communications Committee
Energy and Environment Committee
Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee

FROM: Jeffrey S. Dunn
Government Affairs Analyst

SUBJECT: End of Session Legislative Report

SUMMARY:

The End of Session Report will contain summaries of major legislation relevant to SCAG operations and activities that have been either chaptered into law or vetoed. Because the constitutional deadline for the Governor to sign or veto bills is September 30, staff will prepare the final report after that date and distribute to the policy committees and Regional Council on October 5, 2006.

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REPORT

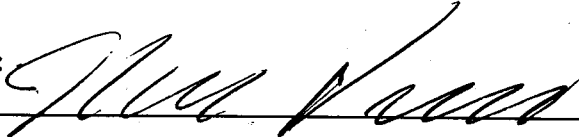
DATE: October 5, 2006

TO: Regional Council

FROM: Jeffrey S. Dunn
Government Affairs Analyst

SUBJECT: Support of November 7, 2006 Ballot Infrastructure Bonds – Propositions 1A & 1B

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Transportation and Communications Committee recommends a support of Propositions 1A, a constitutional amendment to protect Proposition 42 transportation funds, and Proposition 1B, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, appearing on the November 7, 2006 ballot.

SUMMARY:

On September 14, 2006, staff brought Propositions 1A, 1B, 1C, 1E, and 84, which will appear on the November ballot, before the SCAG policy committees to seek support positions. The committees supported the Propositions and recommended to move them forward to the Regional Council for a support position.

Proposition 1A is a legislative constitutional amendment on transportation funding protection, and Proposition 1B is the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, the respective measures would safeguard revenues from the sales tax on gasoline for transportation purposes and would authorize the issuance of a total of \$19.925 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation and infrastructure development. A support position is recommended for both measures in keeping with SCAG's adopted 2004 Regional Transportation Plan, its adopted 2006 Legislative Program, and in light of the acute need for transportation infrastructure development.

Proposition 1C is the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, Proposition 1C would authorize the issuance of \$2.85 billion in general obligation bonds for various housing programs. A support position is recommended in light of SCAG's previous support for Proposition 46 in 2002 and the adopted Legislative Program, which calls for support of funding initiatives designed to promote mixed-use and multimodal development.

Proposition 1E is the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, and Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, both measures would authorize the issuance of a combined total of \$9.5 billion in general obligation bonds for various water projects. A support position is recommended in light of SCAG's previous support for Proposition 50 in 2002 and the adopted Legislative Program, which calls for support of water quality and supply measures.

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BACKGROUND:

Proposition 1A, a legislative constitutional amendment on transportation funding protection introduced by Senator Tom Torlakson (D-Antioch) as Senate Constitutional Amendment 7, was enacted on May 9th (Chapter 49, Statutes of 2006). Proposition 1B, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, was introduced by Senator Don Perata (D-East Bay), and was enacted on May 16th (Chapter 25, Statutes of 2006).

Proposition 1C originated as SB 1689 (Chapter 27, Statutes of 2006), the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006, which was introduced by Senate President Pro Tempore Don Perata (D-East Bay). Proposition 1E, the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, was introduced by Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez (D-Los Angeles) as Assembly Bill 140 and was enacted on May 19th (Chapter 33, Statutes of 2006). Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, appears on the ballot as the result of a voter initiative sponsored by a coalition of conservation groups led by The Nature Conservancy and the California Conservation Action Fund.

SCAG has strongly supported the policy objective of Proposition 1A in erecting a “firewall” around Proposition 42 since the first borrowing occurred against those revenues in 2003-04. SCAG has also shown support for using general obligation bond measures to finance infrastructure improvements in the past for water system improvements. Proposition 1B would make billions of dollars available to the SCAG area for badly needed transportation infrastructure improvements, such as those in the RTP.

Although SCAG has no stated position on using general obligation bonds to finance housing programs as envisioned in Proposition 1C, the Regional Council has a history of supporting housing bonds, as it did with Proposition 46 in 2002. Staff recommends a support position for Proposition 1C consistent with the Regional Council’s previous support for Proposition 46 and the adopted 2006 Legislative Program’s direction to support funding initiatives designed to promote multimodal development.

Likewise with Propositions 1E and 84, the Regional Council has a history of supporting water bonds, as it did when it passed a resolution in support of Proposition 50 in 2002, which authorized \$3.44 billion in general obligation bonds for a variety of water purposes including desalination, coastal wetland protection, and watershed management. Moreover, the adopted 2006 Legislative Program calls for SCAG to “support state and federal legislation and other government actions that encourage comprehensive planning and implementation of water quality and supply measures, such as those relating to stormwater, non-point source pollution, and total maximum daily loads....” Staff recommends a support position for Proposition 1E and Proposition 84 consistent with the Regional Council’s previous support for Proposition 50 and the adopted 2006 Legislative Program’s direction to support water quality and supply measures.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Adopting the recommended positions has no fiscal impact on SCAG.

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REPORT


DATE: October 5, 2006

TO: Regional Council

FROM: Transportation and Communications Committee
Bob Huddy, Senior Transportation Planner, 213-236-1972, huddy@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED STUDY OF A TUNNEL OPTION TO COMPLETE THE 710 GAP CLOSURE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Transportation and Communications Committee recommends that the Regional Council approve the attached Resolution of Support for Continued Study of a Tunnel Option to Complete the 710 Gap Closure, and inclusion of the Tunnel as an option to be used for planning in the 2008 RTP, as the Tunnel option is subject to the appropriate and required environmental review.

SUMMARY:

In response to a request from the City of South Pasadena, seeking amendment of the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to provide for a tunnel option to complete the 710 Gap Closure, between Valley Blvd. in the City of Los Angeles and California Blvd. in the City of Pasadena, staff has prepared a resolution (attached). The resolution notes that SCAG continues support for the planning efforts to determine the feasibility of the tunnel option which is subject to the appropriate and required environmental review, and resolves that the Regional Council directs the Executive Director and staff to consider the Tunnel option as the option to be considered for planning purposes in the 2008 Regional Transportation Plan. TCC upon discussion and with amendments to the original language approved the attached Resolution at the September 14, 2006 meeting.

BACKGROUND:

SCAG received a letter from the City of South Pasadena seeking amendment of the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan to provide for a tunnel option to complete the 710 Gap Closure, between Valley Blvd. in the City of Los Angeles and California Blvd. in the City of Pasadena. In the 2004 RTP the 710 Gap Closure is identified as 3 mixed flow lanes and 1 HOV lane in each direction from Valley Blvd. in the City of Los Angeles and California Blvd. in the City of Pasadena. Currently LACMTA is conducting a Tunnel Feasibility Study to determine if that option should be considered as a means of completing the 710 Gap Closure. The Draft Report for this study was released in June 2006. Staff has reviewed the request and prepared the attached resolution, which is based upon the conclusions of the 710 Tunnel Technical Feasibility Assessment that indicated a tunnel option is feasible, but subject to the appropriate and required environmental review.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No additional fiscal impact to SCAG.

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RESOLUTION NO. 06-478-2
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED STUDY OF TUNNEL OPTIONS
TO COMPLETE THE 710 GAP CLOSURE

WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2004 Regional Transportation Plan recognizes the need for and includes the Route 710 Gap Closure between Valley Blvd, in the City of Los Angeles and California Blvd. in the City of Pasadena; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) recently completed a study that determined that, subject to further analysis through an environmental process, a tunnel is a viable design option for the completion on the 710 Gap Closure; and

WHEREAS, SCAG participated in the study of the 710 Gap Closure tunnel options, along with Caltrans, the City of Alhambra, the City of La Canada-Flintridge, the City of Los Angeles, the City of Pasadena, the City of San Marino, and the City of South Pasadena; and

WHEREAS, all cities in the proposed Route 710 Extension corridor support a sound analysis of the full-bore tunnel option, as the an option capable of attaining consensus among the corridor cities, and state and regional transportation agencies; and

WHEREAS, SCAG encourages the use of innovative planning options capable of attaining consensus; and

WHEREAS, SCAG will continue to support and participate in the analysis of the tunnel alternatives as a means of completing the Gap Closure identified in the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Council recognizes the significant technical progress in the 710 Tunnel Feasibility Study and finds and declares that in developing the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan the full-bore tunnel option should be considered in planning the 710 Gap Closure, subject to the appropriate and required environmental review; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director shall present to the Regional Council for consideration such amendments and/or changes to the 2004 and/or subsequent Regional Transportation Plans as may be appropriate to effectuate this Resolution.

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Supervisor, County of Los Angeles

Attest:

Legal Counsel

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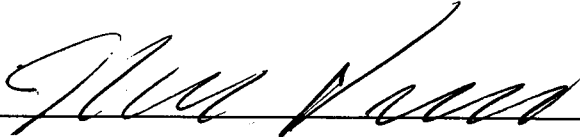
DATE: October 5, 2006

TO: Regional Council

FROM: Jeffrey S. Dunn
Government Affairs Analyst

SUBJECT: Support of November 7, 2006 Ballot Infrastructure Bonds – Propositions 1C

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee recommends support of Proposition 1C, the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006, appearing on the November 7, 2006 ballot.

SUMMARY:

On September 14, 2006, staff brought Propositions 1A, 1B, 1C, 1E, and 84, which will appear on the November ballot, before the SCAG policy committees to seek support positions. The committees supported the Propositions and recommended to move them forward to the Regional Council for a support position.

Proposition 1A is a legislative constitutional amendment on transportation funding protection, and Proposition 1B is the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, the respective measures would safeguard revenues from the sales tax on gasoline for transportation purposes and would authorize the issuance of a total of \$19.925 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation and infrastructure development. A support position is recommended for both measures in keeping with SCAG's adopted 2004 Regional Transportation Plan, its adopted 2006 Legislative Program, and in light of the acute need for transportation infrastructure development.

Proposition 1C is the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, Proposition 1C would authorize the issuance of \$2.85 billion in general obligation bonds for various housing programs. A support position is recommended in light of SCAG's previous support for Proposition 46 in 2002 and the adopted Legislative Program, which calls for support of funding initiatives designed to promote mixed-use and multimodal development.

Proposition 1E is the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, and Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, both measures would authorize the issuance of a combined total of \$9.5 billion in general obligation bonds for various water projects. A support position is recommended in light of SCAG's previous support for Proposition 50 in 2002 and the adopted Legislative Program, which calls for support of water quality and supply measures.

REPORT

BACKGROUND:

Proposition 1A, a legislative constitutional amendment on transportation funding protection introduced by Senator Tom Torlakson (D-Antioch) as Senate Constitutional Amendment 7, was enacted on May 9th (Chapter 49, Statutes of 2006). Proposition 1B, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, was introduced by Senator Don Perata (D-East Bay), and was enacted on May 16th (Chapter 25, Statutes of 2006).

Proposition 1C originated as SB 1689 (Chapter 27, Statutes of 2006), the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006, which was introduced by Senate President Pro Tempore Don Perata (D-East Bay). Proposition 1E, the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, was introduced by Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez (D-Los Angeles) as Assembly Bill 140 and was enacted on May 19th (Chapter 33, Statutes of 2006). Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, appears on the ballot as the result of a voter initiative sponsored by a coalition of conservation groups led by The Nature Conservancy and the California Conservation Action Fund.

SCAG has strongly supported the policy objective of Proposition 1A in erecting a “firewall” around Proposition 42 since the first borrowing occurred against those revenues in 2003-04. SCAG has also shown support for using general obligation bond measures to finance infrastructure improvements in the past for water system improvements. Proposition 1B would make billions of dollars available to the SCAG area for badly needed transportation infrastructure improvements, such as those in the RTP.

Although SCAG has no stated position on using general obligation bonds to finance housing programs as envisioned in Proposition 1C, the Regional Council has a history of supporting housing bonds, as it did with Proposition 46 in 2002. Staff recommends a support position for Proposition 1C consistent with the Regional Council’s previous support for Proposition 46 and the adopted 2006 Legislative Program’s direction to support funding initiatives designed to promote multimodal development.

Likewise with Propositions 1E and 84, the Regional Council has a history of supporting water bonds, as it did when it passed a resolution in support of Proposition 50 in 2002, which authorized \$3.44 billion in general obligation bonds for a variety of water purposes including desalination, coastal wetland protection, and watershed management. Moreover, the adopted 2006 Legislative Program calls for SCAG to “support state and federal legislation and other government actions that encourage comprehensive planning and implementation of water quality and supply measures, such as those relating to stormwater, non-point source pollution, and total maximum daily loads....” Staff recommends a support position for Proposition 1E and Proposition 84 consistent with the Regional Council’s previous support for Proposition 50 and the adopted 2006 Legislative Program’s direction to support water quality and supply measures.

FISCAL IMPACT:

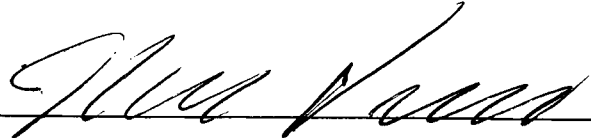
Adopting the recommended positions has no fiscal impact on SCAG.

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DATE: October 5, 2006
TO: Regional Council
FROM: Jeffrey S. Dunn
Government Affairs Analyst
SUBJECT: Support of November 7, 2006 Ballot Infrastructure Bonds – Propositions 1E & Prop 84

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Energy and Environment Committee recommends support of Propositions 1E, the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, and Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, appearing on the November 7, 2006 ballot.

SUMMARY:

On September 14, 2006, staff brought Propositions 1A, 1B, 1C, 1E, and 84, which will appear on the November ballot, before the SCAG policy committees to seek support positions. The committees supported the Propositions and recommended to move them forward to the Regional Council for a support position.

Proposition 1A is a legislative constitutional amendment on transportation funding protection, and Proposition 1B is the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, the respective measures would safeguard revenues from the sales tax on gasoline for transportation purposes and would authorize the issuance of a total of \$19.925 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation and infrastructure development. A support position is recommended for both measures in keeping with SCAG's adopted 2004 Regional Transportation Plan, its adopted 2006 Legislative Program, and in light of the acute need for transportation infrastructure development.

Proposition 1C is the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, Proposition 1C would authorize the issuance of \$2.85 billion in general obligation bonds for various housing programs. A support position is recommended in light of SCAG's previous support for Proposition 46 in 2002 and the adopted Legislative Program, which calls for support of funding initiatives designed to promote mixed-use and multimodal development.

Proposition 1E is the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, and Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006. If approved by a majority of voters, both measures would authorize the issuance of a combined total of \$9.5 billion in general obligation bonds for various water projects. A support position is recommended in light of SCAG's previous support for Proposition 50 in 2002 and the adopted Legislative Program, which calls for support of water quality and supply measures.

BACKGROUND:

Proposition 1A, a legislative constitutional amendment on transportation funding protection introduced by Senator Tom Torlakson (D-Antioch) as Senate Constitutional Amendment 7, was enacted on May 9th (Chapter 49, Statutes of 2006). Proposition 1B, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, was introduced by Senator Don Perata (D-East Bay), and was enacted on May 16th (Chapter 25, Statutes of 2006).

Proposition 1C originated as SB 1689 (Chapter 27, Statutes of 2006), the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006, which was introduced by Senate President Pro Tempore Don Perata (D-East Bay). Proposition 1E, the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006, was introduced by Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez (D-Los Angeles) as Assembly Bill 140 and was enacted on May 19th (Chapter 33, Statutes of 2006). Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, appears on the ballot as the result of a voter initiative sponsored by a coalition of conservation groups led by The Nature Conservancy and the California Conservation Action Fund.

SCAG has strongly supported the policy objective of Proposition 1A in erecting a “firewall” around Proposition 42 since the first borrowing occurred against those revenues in 2003-04. SCAG has also shown support for using general obligation bond measures to finance infrastructure improvements in the past for water system improvements. Proposition 1B would make billions of dollars available to the SCAG area for badly needed transportation infrastructure improvements, such as those in the RTP.

Although SCAG has no stated position on using general obligation bonds to finance housing programs as envisioned in Proposition 1C, the Regional Council has a history of supporting housing bonds, as it did with Proposition 46 in 2002. Staff recommends a support position for Proposition 1C consistent with the Regional Council’s previous support for Proposition 46 and the adopted 2006 Legislative Program’s direction to support funding initiatives designed to promote multimodal development.

Likewise with Propositions 1E and 84, the Regional Council has a history of supporting water bonds, as it did when it passed a resolution in support of Proposition 50 in 2002, which authorized \$3.44 billion in general obligation bonds for a variety of water purposes including desalination, coastal wetland protection, and watershed management. Moreover, the adopted 2006 Legislative Program calls for SCAG to “support state and federal legislation and other government actions that encourage comprehensive planning and implementation of water quality and supply measures, such as those relating to stormwater, non-point source pollution, and total maximum daily loads....” Staff recommends a support position for Proposition 1E and Proposition 84 consistent with the Regional Council’s previous support for Proposition 50 and the adopted 2006 Legislative Program’s direction to support water quality and supply measures.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Adopting the recommended positions has no fiscal impact on SCAG.

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